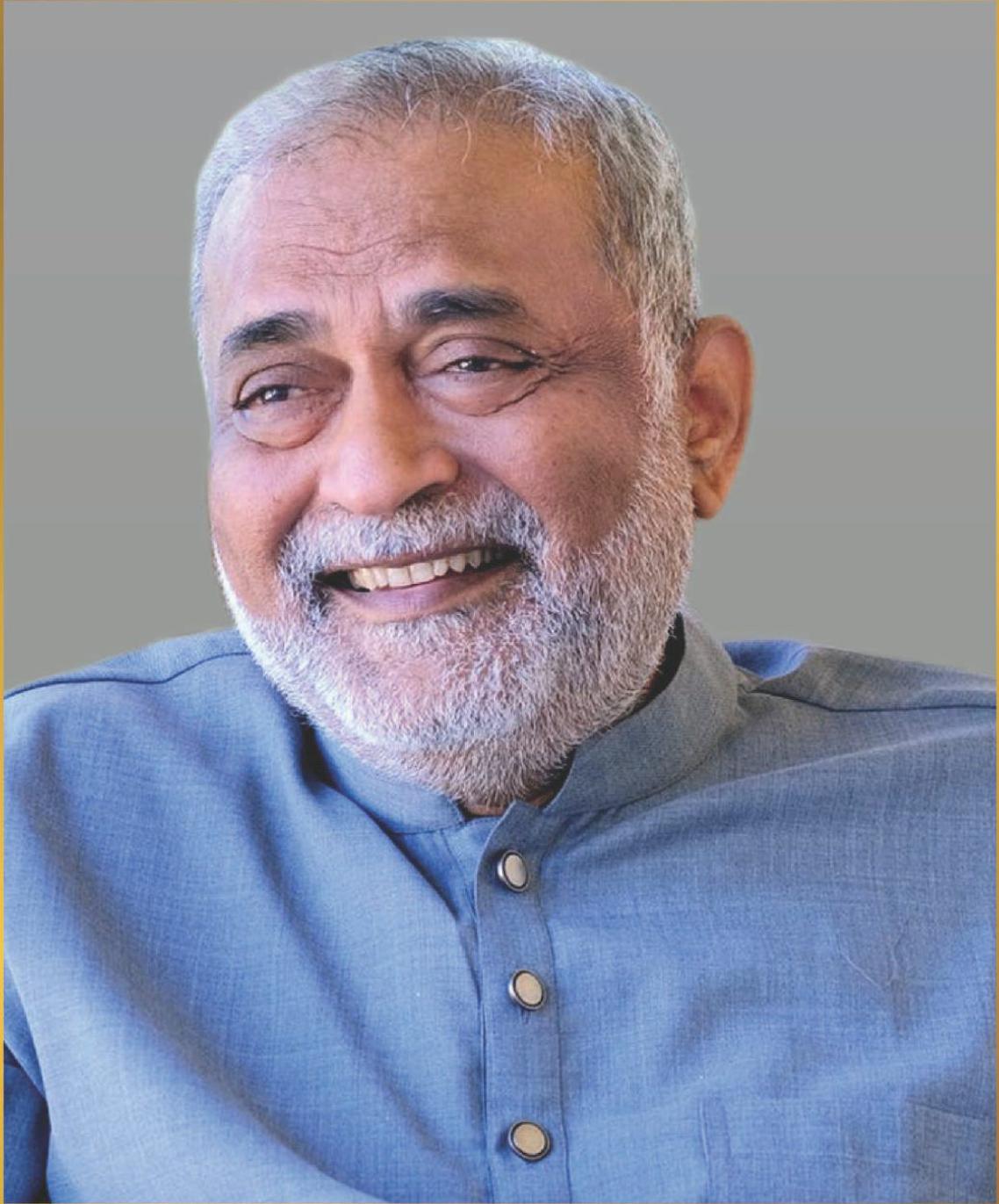
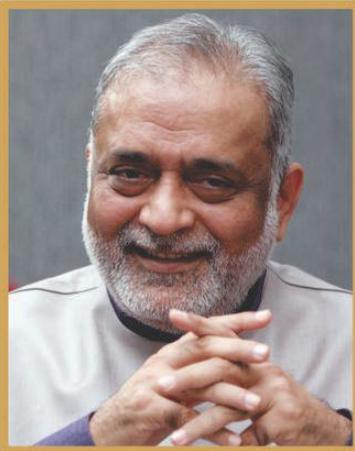


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Kamlesh D. Patel (Daaji)

Spiritual Leader
INDIA



Mr. Kamlesh D. Patel (Daaji)

During our life, we cross paths with many people. While each person we interact with impacts us in unique ways, only a rare few have the ability to heal our hearts with a love so generous and unconditional that it could only be considered divine. Such is the heart and soul of the quiet, self-effacing man lovingly known to the world as Daaji.

It is no secret that humanity is struggling through turbulent times. Whether it's an erosion of family structures, a global mental health crisis, or any other challenge, we are collectively passing through intense pain and confusion.

As the founder of The Heartfulness Institute, Daaji has taken it upon himself to work tirelessly during this difficult time towards the reintegration of each individual heart and, by extension, the entire world to reach a collective state of joy, contentment and inner peace.

By spreading the principles of heart-centred living through Heartfulness Meditation, Daaji, who was recently awarded the Padma Bhushan, is quietly transforming the lives of hundreds of millions of people all over the world.

The late great Maya Angelou once said, "I've learned that people will forget what you said, people will forget what you did, but people will never forget how you made them feel."

Daaji's generosity, love, and gentleness are such that every heart he interacts with leaves feeling indelibly touched, loved, inspired, and optimistic for a better future, not only for him or herself, but for the entire planet.

A slice of heaven in Hyderabad

Daaji has constructed the world's largest meditation centre at Kanha Shanti Vanam, in Hyderabad. The pristine campus sprawls over 1400 acres and features a meditation hall that can hold over 100,000 meditators at one time. Inaugurated in 2020 by the President of India, Kanha has been named "The Pride of Telangana" and is a Centre of Excellence for those looking to become their best selves in all walks of life.





Making meditation accessible to all

Spirituality is every human being's birthright and Daaji is working to bring Heartfulness to the doorstep of every individual on the planet. Under his leadership, The Heartfulness Institute launched The Heartfulness App, which allows anyone with a phone to meditate with Yogic Transmission, anywhere, anytime, for free. Additionally, Daaji oversees the work of over 15,000 meditation trainers who offer free in-person meditation training to over 4 million people all over the world.

Ushering in a green future

Daaji is not only an expert at healing the human heart. He is also deeply concerned with healing Mother Earth and is committed to the development of a green future where we can all breathe easy. The Forests By Heartfulness initiative has already planted over 1 million trees and aims to plant over 30 million trees across India by 2025.





Investing in the next generation

Daaji pioneered the development of the Heartfulness Education Trust, which aims to create a new generation of hearts and minds through holistic education based on heart-centred meditation and lifestyle. Heartfulness Education is transforming society by enabling every student to live a balanced, purposeful life with enhanced awareness, compassion, and competence.

We all seek happiness. Even a small creature seeks happiness. Smallest of the small seeks happiness and comfort, yet it keeps eluding most of us. The backing of happiness is provided by a contemplative mind. A restless mind cannot enjoy whatsoever it may hold, whatsoever it may accumulate. To attain happiness, a contemplative and restful mind is mandatory – but how can we arrive at such a restful and contemplative mind without the ability to have a focused mind?

One moment you are thinking of some project; another moment you are jumping to the next idea and then another one. That is not a focused mind. The cultivation of a focused mind is possible only with regulation of the mind. This regulation is possible only and only through meditation. So, you can connect the dots.

Heartfulness is proud to offer meditation training for many decades without charging a single naya paisa [dime] from anyone. It is free of charge. We have not made yoga an udyog. Heartfulness is the beginning of a new era of spirituality and India, our great nation, can stand and guide the rest of the world on its foundation of spirituality, not on religion.

“Someone may touch our heart even just for a second. But it may leave our soul stirred for a lifetime.”—Mimi Novic



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Mr. Annu Kapoor

Actor, Director, Singer and Host
INDIA



Mr. Annu Kapoor

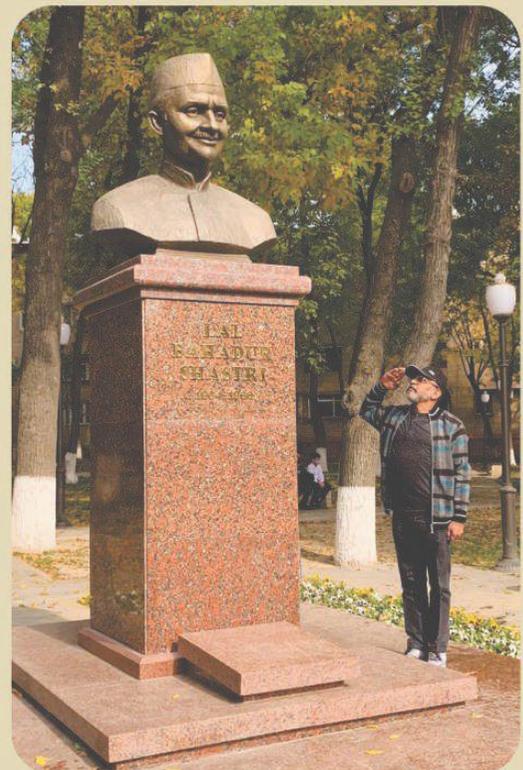
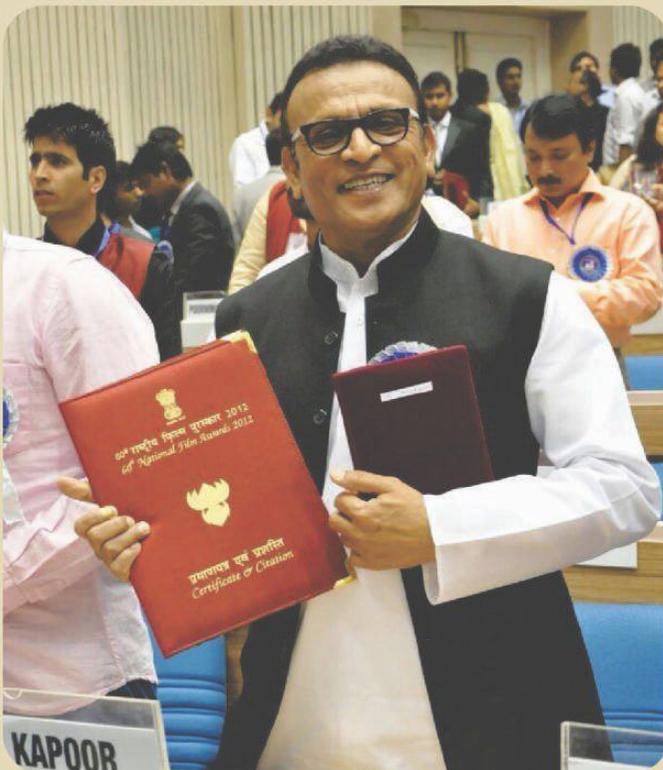
In the intricate tapestry of India's entertainment industry, few figures shine as brightly and as diversely as Annu Kapoor. Born on February 20, 1956, in the culturally rich city of Bhopal, India, Kapoor emerged not just as an actor but as a luminary across various artistic realms. His journey traverses through acting, singing, hosting iconic musical shows, directing movies, composing music, and captivating audiences as a radio presenter.

Beyond the limelight, Kapoor's intellectual pursuits are equally profound. Immersing himself in the depths of Hinduism, Islam, Christianity, Buddhism, and beyond, he emerged as an agnostic individual, liberated by a quest for knowledge and understanding. His admiration spans across the spectrum of human achievement, from literary giants like Ghalib, Meer, and Kabir to musical maestros like Beethoven, Mehdi Hasan, and Rashid Khan. The influence of luminaries such as Maurice Jarre, Andre Rieu, Nikola Tesla, Carl Gustad Jung, Jean-Paul Sartre, and Victor Hugo resonate deeply within his being.





Kapoor's artistic canvas knows no bounds. He seamlessly weaves through various Indian dialects, infusing authenticity and depth into his roles. His profound understanding of Indian and Western classical music, as well as folk and film music, is a testament to his unparalleled versatility. Beyond entertainment, Kapoor's rationalist outlook and motivational prowess inspire audiences of all ages and backgrounds.





As a staunch advocate for societal responsibility, Kapoor embodies the essence of compassion and empathy. He fervently believes in the transformative power of goodness, advocating that the world doesn't thirst for geniuses but for compassionate souls.

In the pages of this coffee table book, delve into the myriad facets of Annu Kapoor's illustrious journey. From his humble beginnings to his towering presence in the annals of Indian entertainment, discover the essence of a man whose life is a testament to the beauty of versatility, intellect, and humanity.

“बस कि दुशवार है हर काम का आसां होना
आदमी को भी मयस्सन नहीं इंसां होना”



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Dr. Sudhir V. Shah

Neurologist
INDIA



Dr. Sudhir V. Shah

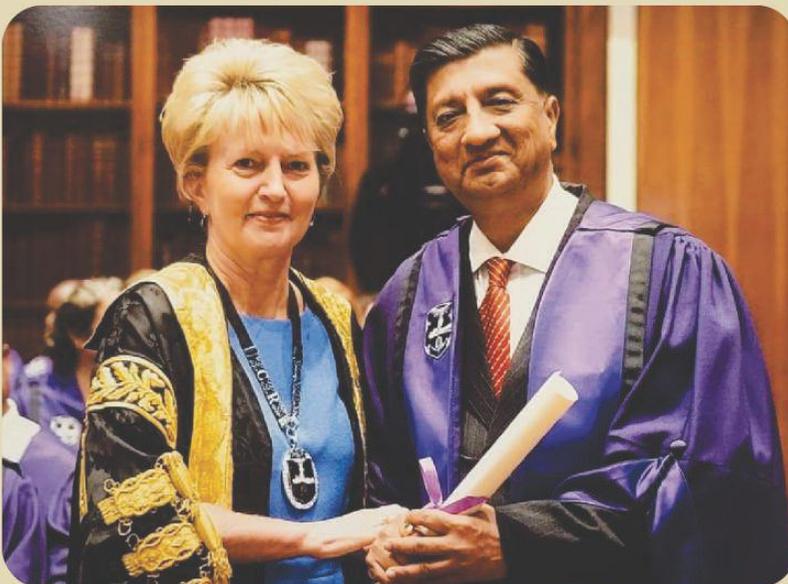
Dive into the captivating narrative of Dr. Sudhir V. Shah, a towering figure in the realm of neurology whose journey traverses the boundaries of medicine, academia, and philanthropy. Hailing from the vibrant state of Gujarat, India, Dr. Shah's life story is a testament to the power of passion, intellect, and boundless compassion.

A distinguished neurologist, Dr. Shah's prowess in diagnosis and holistic management is legendary. His keen analytical skills and visionary approach have earned him accolades both nationally and internationally. In 2016, he was bestowed with the Padmashree, the fourth highest civilian award in India, recognizing his exceptional service to humanity.

As a senior consultant neurologist based in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, Dr. Shah commands unparalleled respect both nationally and internationally for his exceptional diagnostic acumen, analytical prowess, and holistic approach to patient care. His ability to unravel complex neurological mysteries with swiftness and precision has earned him the reverence of colleagues and patients alike.

Beyond his clinical practice, Dr. Shah's multifaceted persona shines through in a myriad of domains. A consummate academic, he holds the distinguished position of Professor and Head of the Department of Neurology at NHL Municipal Medical College & SVP IMSR, along with serving as the Director of Neurosciences at Sterling Hospital. His academic journey began with the attainment of an MD degree in 1984 from Ahmedabad, followed by a DM in 1990 from Mumbai, marking the inception of a lifelong commitment to the pursuit of knowledge and excellence in neurology.

Dr. Shah's scholarly pursuits extend far beyond the confines of conventional medicine. Renowned for his ground breaking research on fasting and meditation, he has emerged as a leading authority in mind-body wellness, garnering international acclaim and recognition. His seminal work has been immortalized in European and American documentary films, thrusting him into the global spotlight as a trailblazer in the realm of alternative therapies and holistic healing.





The breadth of Dr. Shah's influence transcends geographical boundaries, with his insights and expertise sought after by prestigious media outlets such as the BBC, Discovery Channel, and CNBC. Through a plethora of keynote speeches, lectures, and television appearances, he has disseminated knowledge and awareness on neurological health to audiences spanning the globe, cementing his status as a luminary in his field.

As an educator and mentor, Dr. Shah's impact reverberates far and wide. He has played a pivotal role in shaping the landscape of neurology in Gujarat, pioneering groundbreaking initiatives such as the introduction of DM (Neurology) and DNB (Neurology) courses, as well as spearheading advancements in epilepsy and Parkinson's surgery. His dedication to imparting knowledge and fostering talent has inspired generations of aspiring neurologists, leaving an indelible imprint on the fabric of medical education in the region.

Yet, perhaps most striking is Dr. Shah's unwavering commitment to philanthropy and service to humanity. Amidst the accolades and achievements that adorn his illustrious career, his heart remains firmly rooted in the ethos of compassion and altruism. Through charitable endeavors ranging from medical camps and diagnostic initiatives to generous donations to the underprivileged, he has touched the lives of countless individuals, offering hope and healing in times of need.

In recognition of his unparalleled contributions, Dr. Sudhir V. Shah has been bestowed with a plethora of prestigious awards and honors, including the Padmashree, the Dr. B. C. Roy Award, and fellowships from esteemed institutions such as the Royal College of Physicians, London, and the American College of Neurology. Yet, amidst the glittering accolades and global recognition, his greatest legacy remains the



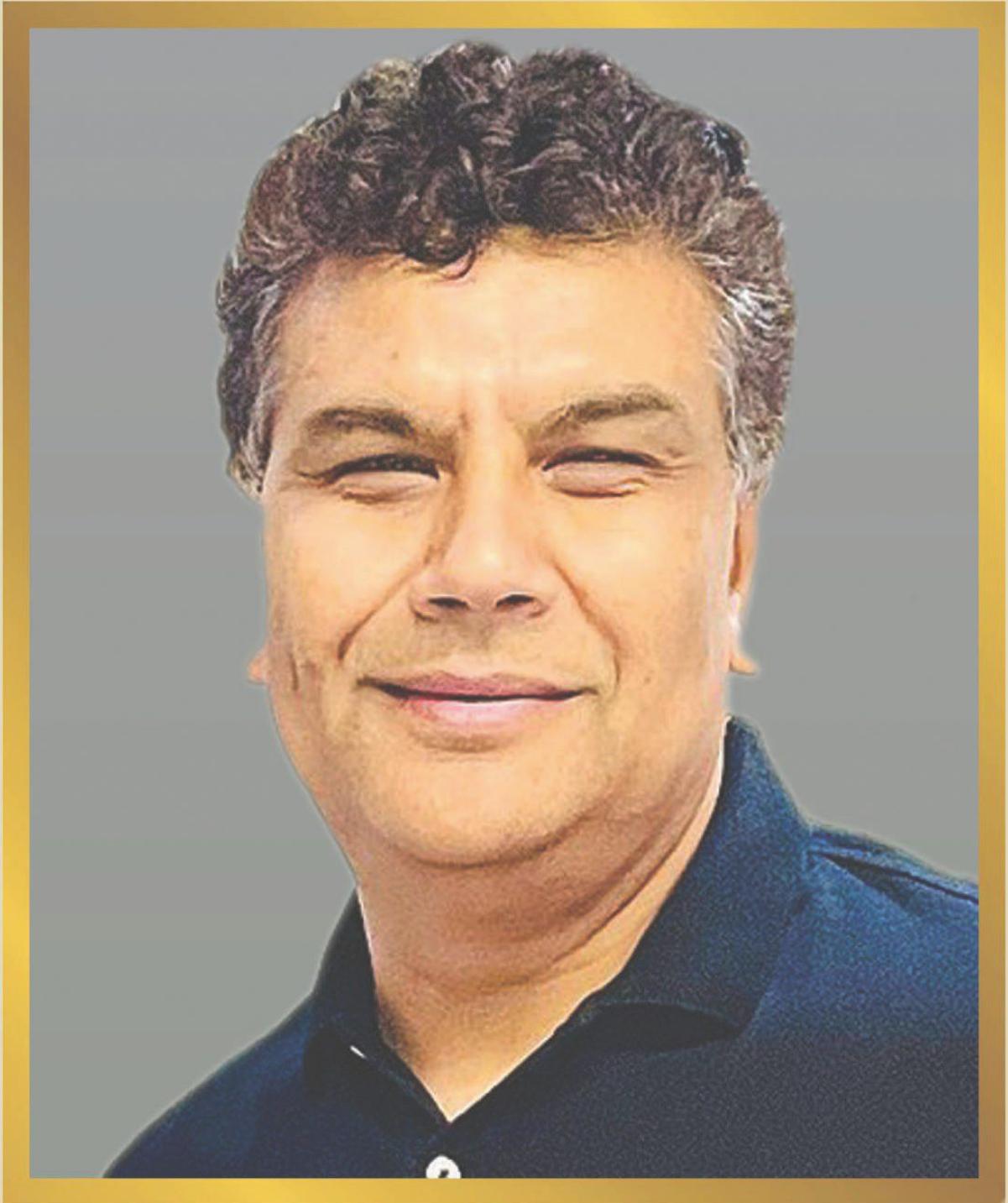


lives he has touched and the hearts he has healed through his tireless dedication to the pursuit of healing, wisdom, and humanity.

This coffee table book stands as a tribute to the extraordinary life and legacy of Dr. Sudhir V. Shah, a true renaissance man whose brilliance, compassion, and unwavering commitment to the betterment of humanity continue to inspire and uplift all who have the privilege of crossing paths with him.

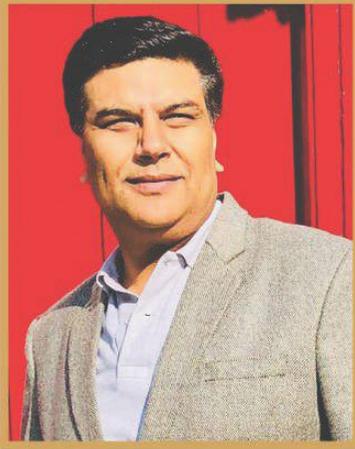


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Mr. Manoj Tyagi

CEO Sanskar TV
INDIA



Mr. Manoj Tyagi

Manoj Tyagi was born in the capital city of India, Delhi in March 1972. He is an Indian media professional specializing in spiritual TV content for more than two decades. When he joined Sankar TV, he had only two TV channels to lead, but under his leadership now Sanskar TV group can boast of having a bouquet of TV Channels namely Sanskar TV, Satsang TV, Shubh TV, Shubh Cinema, Sanskar Nepal, Sanskar USA & Sanskar UK. He also spearheaded the digital movement within the company and within a couple of years

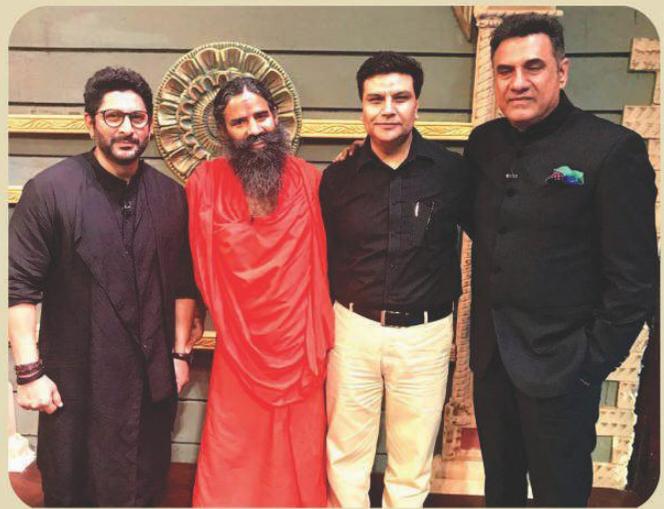
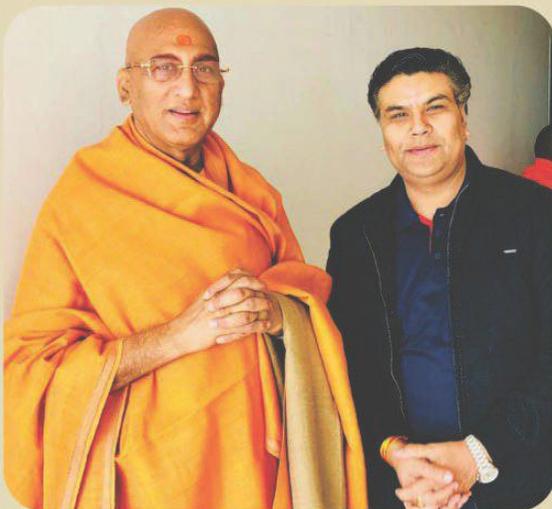
Sanskar TV group's devotional content became highly popular commanding a huge base of subscribers on several social media & OTT platforms, giving easy access of devotional content to the audience throughout the world managing over 20 channels.

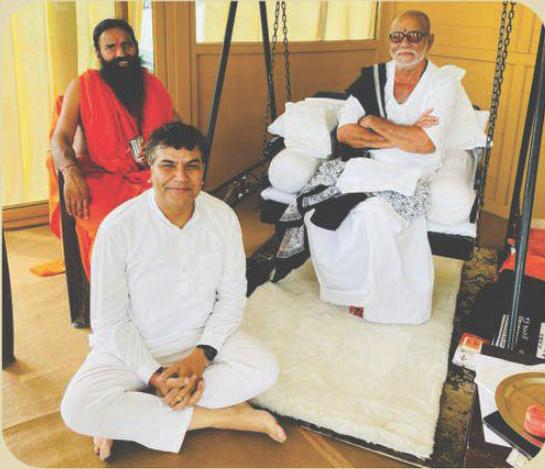
Son of an officer with the Government of India press, Manoj completed his schooling from Gandhi Memorial Senior Secondary School, Shahdara, Delhi and then got hooked to his passion for photography which later became his profession. He was also a state level swimmer and spent a couple of years of his early life as a swimming coach in a Delhi school.

In 1997 Manoj started to work as a devotional content provider for India's pioneer Satellite TV channel Zee TV / Zee News. One of the most popular TV series produced by him was KAAL KAPAAL MAHAKAAL which was broadcast on Zee News channel in the year 2014-15 and was always on top of the charts. This program showcased an in-depth account of the life and practices of various sects like Agoris, Naath, Shakyas etc. who practice peculiar customs.

Prior to his association with Aastha & Sanskar TV group, Mr. Manoj Tyagi owned media companies "Chinu Productions" and "Chinu Films Pvt. Ltd." which is now being run by his family. Along with video production & broadcast equipment supply, these media ventures are also into Event Management and Artist Management globally.

In the past three decades Manoj created a huge library of spiritual / devotional content and this triggered the idea of starting a spiritual web platform where he could place all the devotional content for future generations and thus was born, which was India's first web platform for all the spiritual gurus/ sadhus with



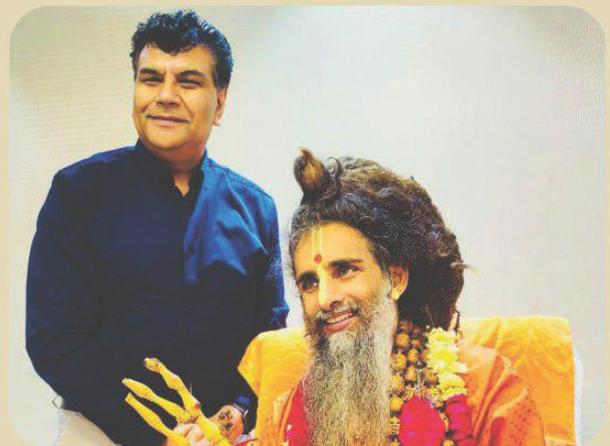


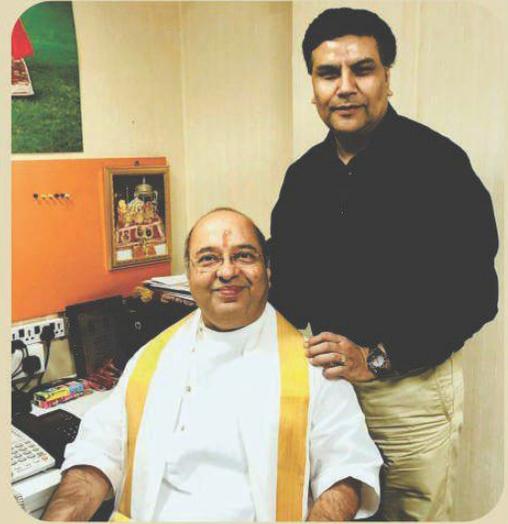
a wide variety of spiritual content. Online visitors from all over the world enjoy free audio and video content of well-known spiritual Gurus, Saints, Preachers, and Pundits. One can watch videos, listen to audio in form of Bhajan, kirtans and discourses in more than 15 different Indian languages. This website also provides knowledge of Yoga, Vedic Culture, Hinduism, and other spiritual teachings from the Land of Spirituality - India.

A close confidant of Swami Ramdev & Acharya Balkishan, Manoj was assigned key positions to manage several verticals of Vedic Broadcasting Ltd. and group companies such as Aastha, Aastha Bhajan, Arihant from the year 2000 - 2015. In the year 2016, Manoj was asked to take full control of Sanskar TV & Satsang TV along with other TV channels under the Aastha group umbrella. In 2016 itself, he was installed as the CEO of Sanskar TV and within a year he spearheaded the launch of Sanskar TV in the United Kingdom & Europe.

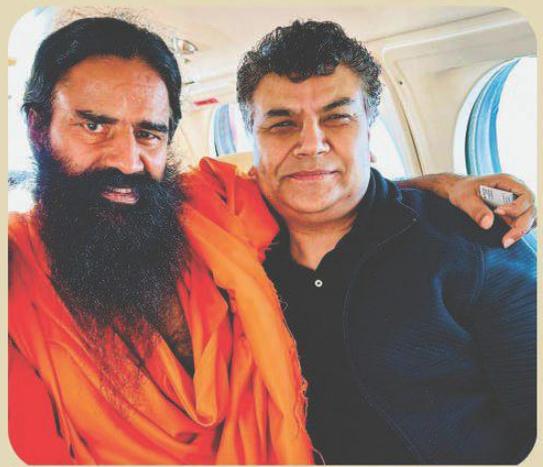
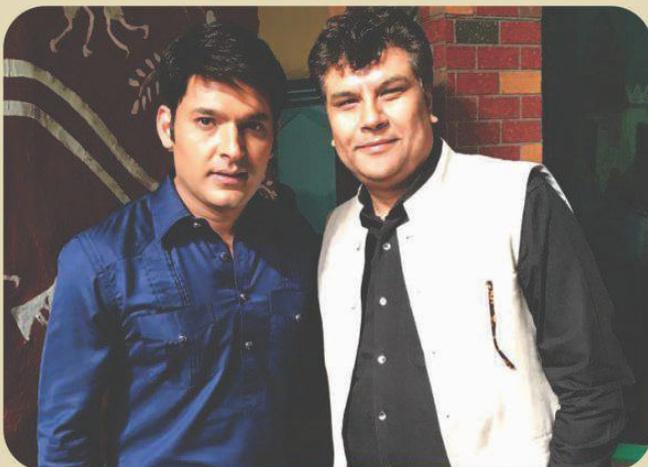
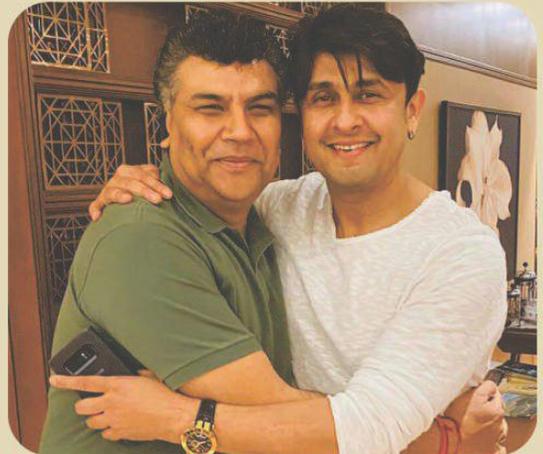
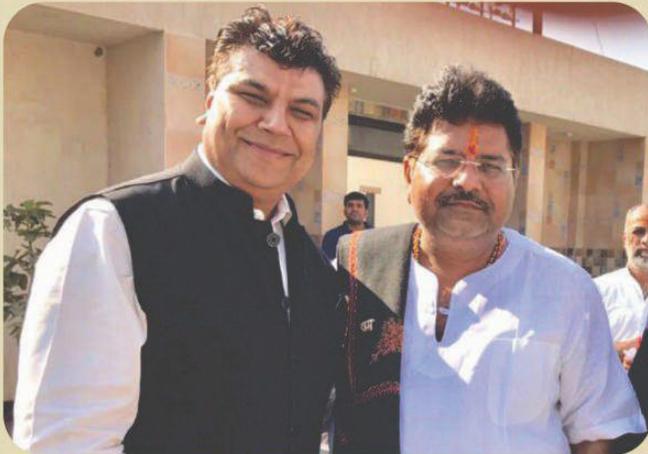
Manoj Tyagi is a well-known personality in the devotional content industry who shares a very personal rapport with top-of-the-line Indian sages / saints / gurus and spiritual organizations in India and abroad. For his dedicated commitment in spreading the *Sanatan Dharma* across the globe, he has been honored by many spiritual gurus and organizations in India & abroad. To mention a few, he was honored by “*The World Book of Records*”, London in 2019 for promoting spiritual & Vedic wisdom across the globe at the Mayor's Office, Harrow, London. Another feather to his cap was added when he received the **Happiness Ambassador** award at the House of Commons, London in recognition of his extraordinary and exemplary work for the communities.

In April 2022, The United Kingdom-based World Book of Records also felicitated *Sankar TV* channel for doing pioneering work in the field of spreading the ideas of *Sanatan Dharma* globally. The award was





received by Sanskar TV CEO Manoj Tyagi in the presence of officials from the UK embassy. Later, he was also awarded a Certificate of Appreciation by ISSC, Harrow, London at the British Parliament in recognition of his dedicated contributions and continued service to various communities. Under the able leadership of Mr. Manoj Tyagi, Sanskar TV was also honored by the Ministry of Information & Broadcasting, Government of India with the “Best Media Coverage of Yoga in Electronic Media” in 2019 and in February 2020 the channel received another award at ET awards Mumbai – the “Best Business Brand” award.



Bharat Gaurav



HH Shri Rajrajeshwar Gururji

Spiritual Leader
UNITED KINGDOM



HH Shri Rajrajeshwar Guruji

In the intricate mosaic of global spirituality and interfaith dialogue, the life and legacy of HH Shri Rajrajeshwar Guruji emerge as a beacon of enlightenment and unity. With a journey marked by dedication, service, and profound spiritual insight, Guruji's narrative transcends borders and resonates deeply within the hearts of those touched by his wisdom and compassion.

Guruji's path to prominence is paved with numerous accolades and honors, each a testament to his unwavering commitment to promoting peace and understanding among diverse communities. Notably, the recent recognition bestowed upon him by the White House in the form of a Medal Coin serves as a poignant acknowledgment of his efforts in fostering unity and providing spiritual support on an international scale. Presented by esteemed figures such as Reverend John R. Unger II and Reverend Martina Steiner Unger, this honor symbolizes the profound impact Guruji has had in bridging cultural divides and nurturing a climate of mutual respect and cooperation.

Among his many distinguished awards, the Bharat Kirtimaan Alankaran by the World Book of Records stands as a crowning achievement, celebrating Guruji's invaluable contributions to the global spiritual landscape. Additionally, accolades such as the Faith & Belief Community Awards at Westminster Abbey in London and the title of Peace Ambassador for the World Book Of Records underscore his enduring commitment to promoting harmony and understanding across borders and faith traditions.





Yet, Guruji's influence extends far beyond the realm of formal recognition. His appointment as Mayor Chaplin for Harrow, London, and his groundbreaking role as the first Hindu Police Chaplin for the Metropolitan Police in the UK reflect his deep-seated dedication to serving and uplifting communities at the grassroots level. Through these positions of trust and responsibility, Guruji has not only provided spiritual guidance but has also served as a unifying force, bridging cultural and religious divides within society.

Throughout his journey, Guruji has had the privilege of engaging with dignitaries and leaders from around the world, from receiving awards at the British Parliament to being honored by the President of Mauritius. Each encounter has provided a platform for him to amplify his message of peace, love, and understanding, further cementing his status as a global ambassador for harmony and spiritual enlightenment.





Yet, amidst the grandeur of his achievements and the adulation of admirers, Guruji remains grounded in humility and a deep sense of purpose. Whether meeting heads of state or representing the Hindu community on prestigious occasions, his unwavering commitment to serving humanity shines brightly, inspiring all who encounter his remarkable story. In a world often divided by differences, Guruji's life serves as a powerful reminder of the transformative power of love, compassion, and unity.



Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Manish Tripathi

Fashion Designer & Social Entrepreneur
INDIA



Mr. Manish Tripathi

In the vibrant cultural mosaic of India, Manish Tripathi's journey unfolds as a testament to the transformative power of design. Born and raised amidst the rich tapestry of tradition, Manish's early fascination with the colors and patterns of his surroundings laid the foundation for a lifelong passion for fashion and creativity.

After graduating from the esteemed National Institute of Fashion Technology in New Delhi in 2009, Manish embarked on a professional journey fueled by purpose and determination. His innate talent and innovative approach to design quickly garnered attention, propelling him into the spotlight of India's fashion landscape.

A pivotal moment in Manish's career came when he and his team were entrusted with the sacred task of designing the attire for Shri Ramlala Sarkar during his consecration in Ayodhya. Drawing inspiration from his deep-rooted faith and reverence for tradition, Manish approached the project with humility and reverence, creating garments that bridged the gap between the spiritual and the sartorial.

Driven by a desire to give back to his community, Manish spearheaded initiatives aimed at empowering marginalized groups, particularly rural women. In the wake of the Covid-19 pandemic, he led campaigns to ensure their self-reliance through design and skill training programs, providing them with the tools and resources needed to rebuild their lives.





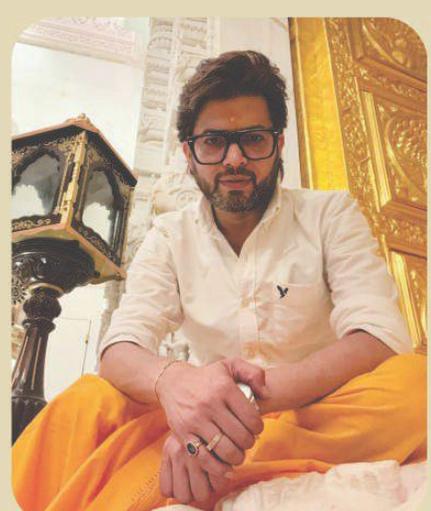
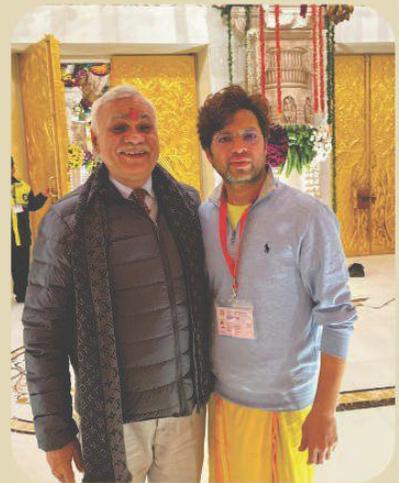
Throughout his career, Manish has collaborated with a diverse array of institutions and organizations, from The National Institute of Fashion Technology to the Indian Olympic Association. His work has been showcased on prestigious stages worldwide, earning him recognition and acclaim for his creative vision and commitment to excellence.

Today, Manish serves as an advisor in the Sector Skill Council of the National Skill Development Corporation, where he continues to champion the cause of design education and women's empowerment. Inspired by the transformative vision of leaders like Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and Chief Minister Shri Yogi Adityanath, Manish remains committed to creating a more inclusive and sustainable future through the power of design.

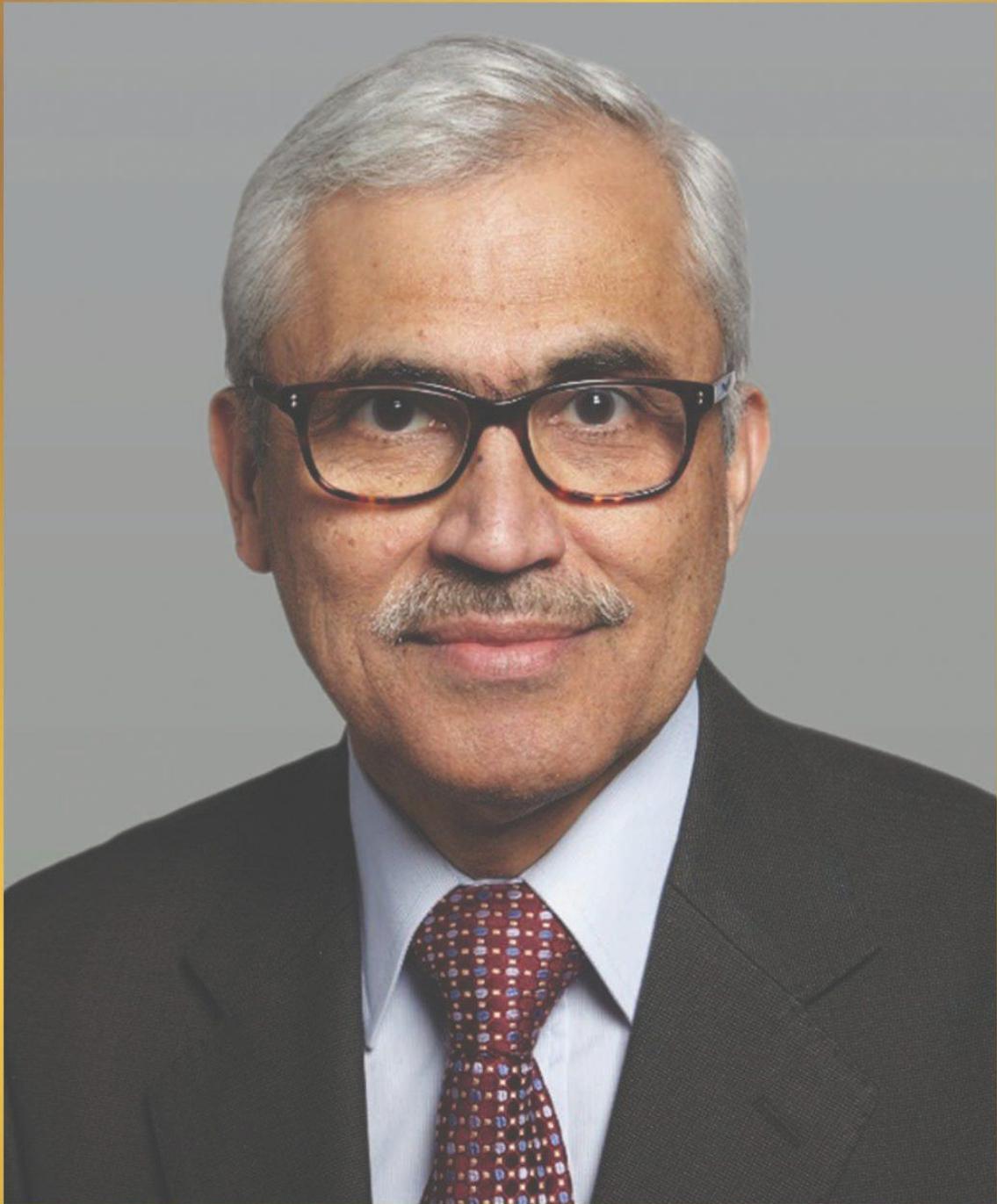




As we reflect on the remarkable journey of Manish Tripathi, we are reminded of the enduring impact of creativity, compassion, and social responsibility. Through his unwavering commitment to empowering others and his relentless pursuit of excellence, Manish has left an indelible mark on the world of fashion and design, proving that when passion and purpose collide, anything is possible.



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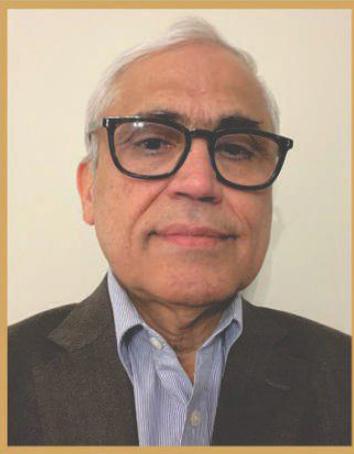
Dr. Davendra Mehta

MD, PhD, FRCP, FACC, FHRS

Director Al-Sabah Cardiac Arrhythmia Institute, Ichan School of Medicine

Mount Sinai, New York

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Dr. Davendra Mehta

A distinguished figure in the realm of cardiac arrhythmias and electrophysiology, has dedicated over 15 years to the noble cause of healing hearts as the Director of the Al-Sabah Arrhythmia Institute at Mount Sinai Morningside Hospital and as a Professor of Medicine at Mount Sinai School of Medicine.

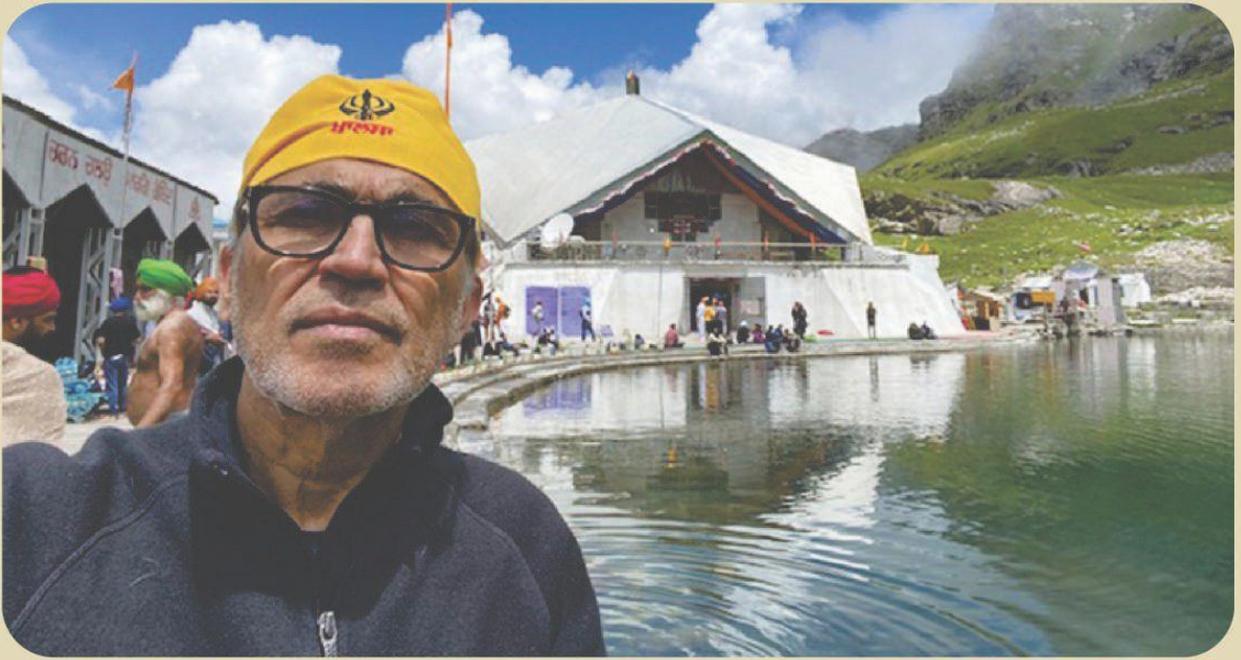
Dr. Mehta embarked on his illustrious journey in the medical field after graduating from JLN Medical College in Ajmer, Rajasthan. His thirst for knowledge led him to pursue an MD in Internal Medicine from the esteemed Post-Graduate Institute in Chandigarh, where he also served as a faculty member for two years, honing his skills and expertise.

Continuing his pursuit of excellence, Dr. Mehta ventured to the United Kingdom for cardiology training in Leicester. During this transformative period, he earned membership in The Royal College of Physicians of London, a testament to his dedication and proficiency in the field. His passion for unraveling the complexities of cardiac arrhythmias led him to complete a cardiac electrophysiology fellowship at St. Bartholomew's and St. George's Hospitals, University of London, culminating in the conferral of a PhD for his groundbreaking research on "Ventricular Tachycardia in patients with clinically normal heart." His pioneering work was disseminated in prestigious peer-reviewed journals such as The Lancet, Journal of the American College of Cardiology, and Circulation, solidifying his reputation as a thought leader in the field.

With a vision to make a difference in cardiac care, Dr. Mehta returned to India, where he played a pivotal role in establishing a team of cardiologists at Escort's Heart Hospital in New Delhi. His relentless pursuit of knowledge and innovation eventually led him to the United States in 1990, where he embarked on groundbreaking research funded by the American Heart Association's New Jersey Affiliates, focusing on the mapping of ventricular tachycardia.

In 1992, Dr. Mehta's journey brought him to Mount Sinai Hospital and School of Medicine, where he joined the faculty as a clinical cardiologist and electrophysiologist. Over the years, he ascended to the position of Professor and Director of the Section of Cardiac Electrophysiology, leveraging his expertise to mentor and inspire future generations of medical professionals.





Dr. Mehta's contributions to the field of cardiology are not confined to the laboratory and lecture halls; his prolific body of work encompasses over 200 manuscripts, spanning diverse topics ranging from the efficacy of physical maneuvers in treating supraventricular tachycardia to the diagnosis and prevention of arrhythmias in patients with cardiac sarcoidosis. His research on ventricular arrhythmias in patients with normal coronary arteries and the QT interval in patients undergoing Methadone therapy has significantly advanced our understanding of these complex conditions.

A sought-after speaker on the national and international circuit, Dr. Mehta's expertise is widely recognized and respected. His involvement in expert consensus committees for the management of cardiac sarcoidosis underscores his influence in shaping clinical practice guidelines.





In recognition of his outstanding contributions to the field, Dr. Mehta has been honored as a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology, the Heart Rhythm Society, and The Royal College of Physicians of the UK. His inclusion in the esteemed list of New York and America's Best Doctors for over two decades, attesting to his enduring commitment to excellence, further solidifies his standing as one of the foremost authorities in cardiac arrhythmias and electrophysiology.

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His wife is a Clinical Geneticist and Professor of Pediatrics at Columbia University Medical School in New York. His hobbies are trekking and sports.

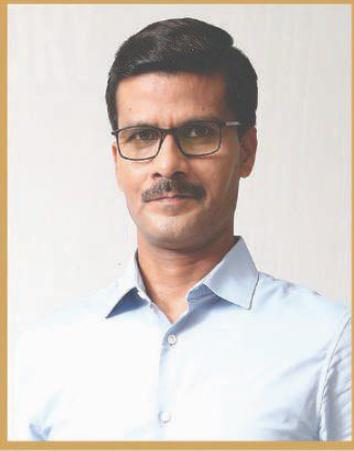


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Mr. Indrajeet Rai

India's First & World's Longest Serving Forensic Journalist
Executive Editor, ABP News
INDIA



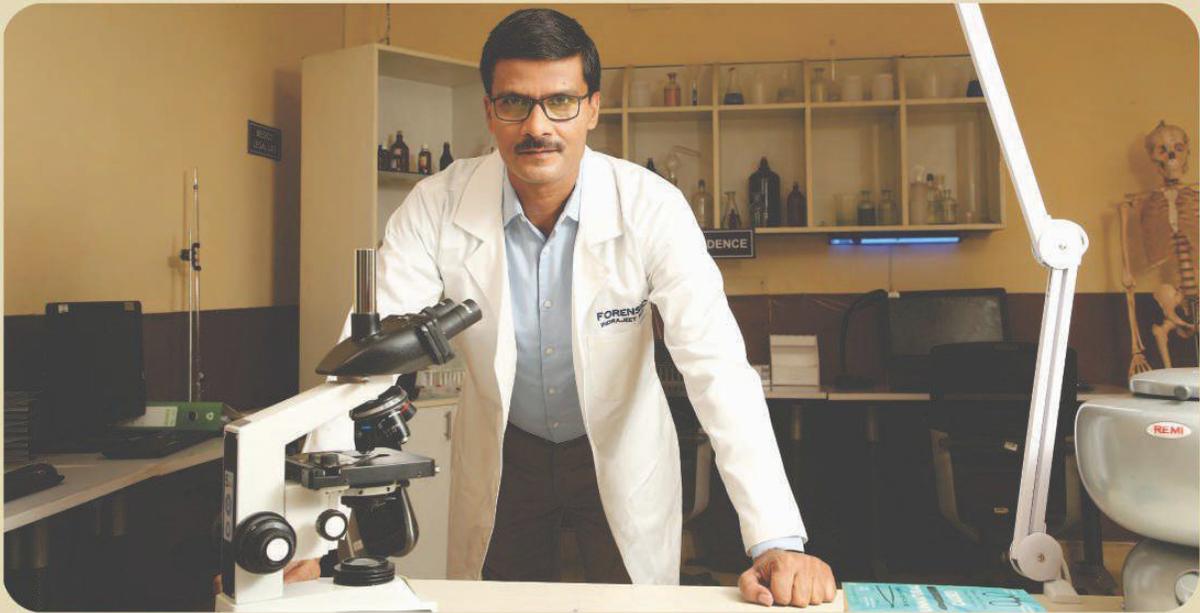
Mr. Indrajeet Rai

India's only and World longest serving Forensic journalist, Indrajeet Rai with over 22 years of verified proficiency in News and Investigations. Apart from News and Investigation, His focus is to fight against fake news and misinformation by using science as a weapon.

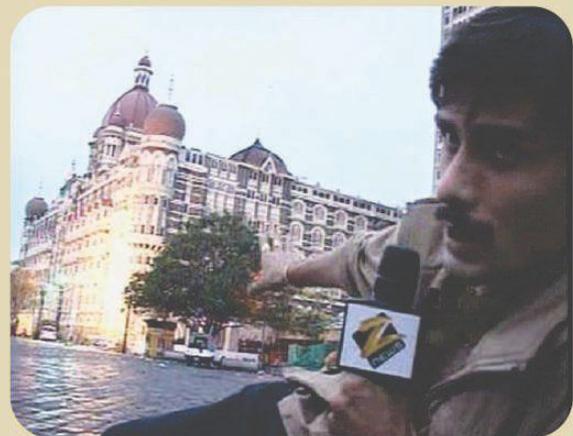
His academic accomplishments include PhD., Postgraduate in forensic science, Postgraduate in Criminology, Diploma in Cyber Forensic from National Institute of Management and Technology, Certification in CSI from the IFS, Certification in Conflict, Anti-Corruption and Organized Crime from the United Nations Office of Drug and Crime (UNODC). He was Also part of Research Team on Fake News with IIM Indore.

His previous stints As Forensic Expert and Journalist include various leading news channels News18, News Nation, and Zee News in India. India's only Forensic journalist, Rai has achieved many milestones in his journalistic career and has received several awards for Excellent Contribution in Media by News Television Industry including NT Award and ENBA Award.





He conducts training sessions for various government departments, including, Uttar Pradesh Police, MP Police, Chhattisgarh Police, Uttarakhand Police, Central Forest Academy. He is Also Visiting Faculty of Various Universities including, University of Lucknow, Bikaner University, Amity University, Sharda University.

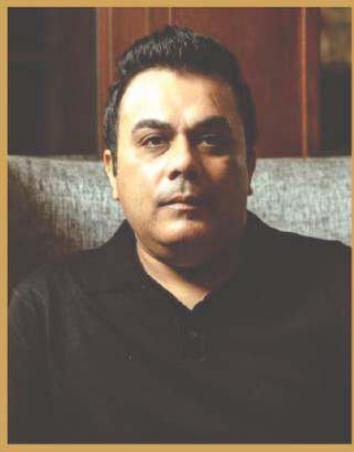


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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Mr. Neil Khot

Neil Khot is the President, CEO, and Founder of Rely Services. A professional services firm that provides outsourcing solutions to the commercial and government sectors, Rely is headquartered in Illinois with a global presence in Chicago, Dubai, and Pune. Founded on an ethos of efficiency, Rely streamlines clients' operations through project management, account management, and IT and boasts an impressive list of repeat clients.

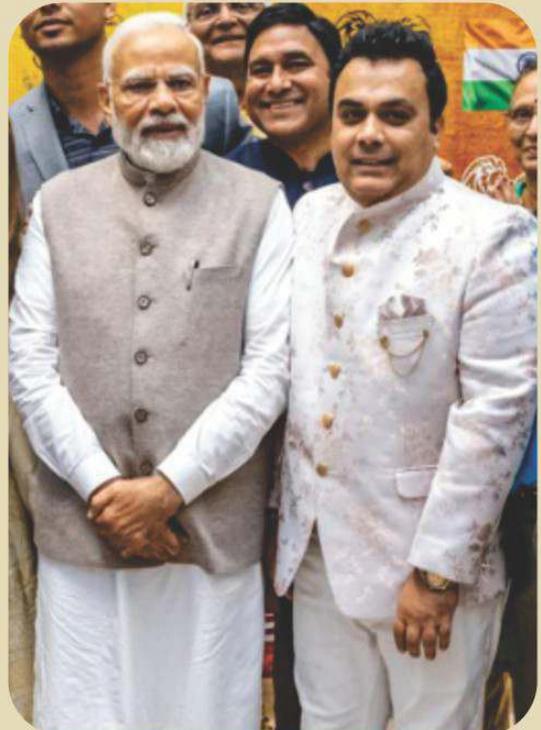
Neil founded Rely Services in 2002 after uncovering an opportunity to provide best-in-class outsourced services. A former technology & systems consultant for professional services firms, Neil was accustomed to partnering with offshore teams. However, he felt that these engagements could be managed more efficiently—the impetus for Rely Services. Rely Services' client list now boasts Marriott, Carnegie Mellon University, the State of Illinois, and many more.

Over the past twenty years, Neil has built and scaled Rely from a one-man startup to an ecosystem of four businesses (Rely Services, Barrington Plaza Realty, Sociale Dispensary, and Rely Ventures). The Rely ecosystem spans a presence in three countries (U.S., India, and UAE), millions of dollars in annual revenue, dozens of team members, and thousands of clients.

In addition, Neil's time outside of work has been focused on creating new opportunities for Indian-Americans and amplifying the greater AAPI community. He is the Co-Founder of Chicago's Federation of Indian Association and National Chair of the Indian American Business Coalition (IABC). During his tenure as the National Chair of IABC, he recruited thousands of members, held large-scale networking events that allowed members to make meaningful professional connections, and partnered with state and national lawmakers to advance business-focused legislation.

Prior to co-founding Chicago's Federation of Indian Association, there was no dedicated space for Indian-Americans to build professional relationships. As a minority, Neil understands the feeling of being “othered”—so creating this community was of utmost importance. He also had the great honor of receiving Cook County's Asian Pacific Islander Heritage award twice (in 2019 and 2020) due to his continued advocacy. Most recently, he was honored as the AAPI Person of the Year by the Village of Hoffman Estates, IL; Schaumburg, IL; and Oak Brook, IL.

In the next stage of his career, Neil is focused on sharing his expertise with the world and empowering the next generation. He regularly shares thought leadership content on LinkedIn, speaks at conferences, and is spotlighted as a community leader. He was recently honored by the House of Representatives for his contributions to female empowerment and the South Asian community.





Professional Development:

- Partnered with State Representative Fred Crespo of the 44th District to create awareness and draft legislation for Bill HB3368 (gives preference to local Illinois businesses in securing state contracts).
- Participated in multiple rallies at the State Capitol in Springfield (helped retain jobs in Illinois rather than outsourcing them).

Awards:

- President's Volunteer Award (bestowed by President Biden)
- Presidential Service Award and Medal (bestowed by President Biden)

- Asian Pacific Islander Award
- Leading Asian Asian / Pacific Islander Award
- Honored by The Office of Illinois Senator Laura Murphy in recognition of Social, Economic, Cultural and Business Diversity promotion in the Northwest Suburban Community
- Asian American Heritage Award Recognition from Village of Schaumburg Mayor Tom Dailly
- Volunteer Award from Cook County Board President Toni Preckwinkle and Commissioner Kevin Morrison





- Entrepreneur Of The Year Award from Rep. Danny K. Davis
- Honored Guest, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji's US Visit

Affiliations:

- Federation of Indian Association-Chicago: Co-founder
- Indian American Business Coalition: National Chair
- Schaumburg Business Association: Member
- Schaumburg Sister Cities Commission: Commissioner
- Hoffman Estates Economic Development Commission: Commissioner
- Woodfield Lake Office Condominium Association & Campus: President

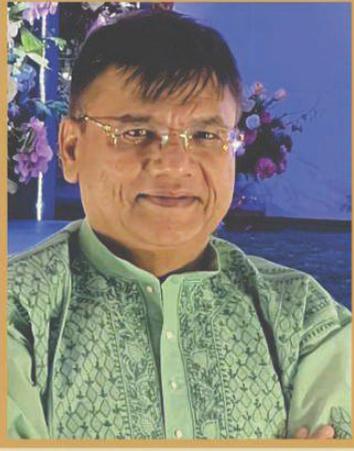


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Jagdish Sharma

Managing Editor - Dainik Bhaskar
INDIA



Mr. Jagdish Sharma

Mr. Sharma has served as a Managing Editor in the Dainik Bhaskar Group for the past 27 years, overseeing 61 editions spanning Dainik Bhaskar, Divya Bhaskar, and Divya Marathi across 12 states. These publications boast a daily circulation of 75 lakh copies, reaching an average of 6 crore readers per day.

Under the guidance of Swami Purnanand Ji Maharaj, Mr. Sharma conducted extensive research on Vedic scriptures. In an impressive feat, he completed a thorough study of the eight chapters of these scriptures and mastered vocal recitation within a mere 40 days.

Furthermore, Mr. Sharma delved into a simultaneous study of Vedas, Upanishads, Darshan, Brahman Granth, Charak, Sushruta, and Nighantu, alongside his introductory study of Sanskrit, under Swami Purnanand Ji Maharaj's tutelage.

Expanding his scholarly pursuits, Mr. Sharma explored Manu Smriti, Kautilya's Arthashastra, Rigveda, and other Vedic texts. Over the past three years, he has dedicated an hour each week to imparting Vedic teachings on "How to Achieve Success, Let's Learn from the Vedas," dissecting the profound insights of a single Vedic scripture every week.





Mr. Sharma's literary contributions extend to various books elucidating the secrets of success, offering actionable advice. Among his published works are ten books that advocate for:

- Think positive to succeed
- The key to success is perseverance
- You are what you think
- Dedicate time to achieve success
- Consistency is key to success
- The powerful are successful
- Success follows endurance
- Walk fast, reach far
- The fastest walk leads to the highest success
- Consistency is the foundation of success





In the realm of journalism, Mr. Sharma excels in pre-launch surveys, having contributed to 57 such events for Dainik Bhaskar. His efforts have significantly bolstered the success of Dainik Bhaskar, evident in over 90 lakh comprehensive door-to-door household surveys conducted.

Mr. Sharma's adeptness shines in transforming crises into opportunities, particularly amid economic downturns or organizational financial strain. He is renowned for his acumen in crisis management during emergencies.



Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Kevat Patel

Senior Marketing Director & Financial Educator
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Mr. Kevat Patel

Kevat Patel was born on June 22, 1990, to late Ramanbhai and Nimuben Patel in the state of Alabama, USA, and currently lives in Frisco, TX USA, a growing suburb of Dallas TX. He has two older sisters, Dimple and late Mayuari. Although he is currently a successful entrepreneur, the journey to success did not come easily. Success can be defined in many ways, however, his fascinating unique story about his life and upbringing inspired him to be successful.

From the time Kevat was born, he has always been eager to explore and expand in learning and growing his knowledge in various subjects. Being surrounded with the environment of several types of family businesses from age 8 onwards, he has had the spirit to always have the growth mindset to become a successful entrepreneur. One specific example of many is during the latter part of middle school, a hurricane came and entirely damaged the entire hotel Kevat, and his family were operating and residing. It was at this time where the family was at its lowest point financially and even sent Kevat counting quarters to have lunch at his school. The family had lost the business which provided them so much for 17+ years. At this time, Kevat and the family faced many challenges in finding other businesses, forcing the family to move 4 times in a 1 and year span, causing some disturbances in Kevat's education as he attended 3 different high schools in a 14-month span. Finally, the family lived in Auburn, Alabama where he and his parents ran a convenience store and had bounced back and recouped a sizable portion of their losses. The city of Auburn was where Kevat completed his education.

From here, Kevat moved to Atlanta, Georgia and operated a gas station business. Unfortunately, the business did not perform as expected, facing many challenges with employees and stagnancy in growth and expansion. Growing up in these different traditional businesses, Kevat has been able to learn the necessary techniques to overcome challenges in day-to-day business operations and understand the difficulties of a business. From here, it was time for a different career path, and that's when Kevat entered the financial industry.

Kevat assumed the financial industry in July 2015. He is a recipient of many financial awards after obtaining his education from Auburn University, Alabama USA. He is a true visionary, always dreaming big as a successful entrepreneur and paving the way for future generations as part of his legacy and by becoming a role model for many future entrepreneurs in the financial industry.

Kevat is a "Visionary" and focuses on excellence with thorough creativity, along with his work ethic full of passion, makes his wellbeing and leads a disciplined workforce under him. He obtains the incredible virtue of a positive attitude, never giving up mentality and caring nature to help his clients and team, not only for today, but also for many years ahead. He envisions a massive field force of financial educators in every state of US and Canada by having courage and exploring vibrant innovative ideas to continue to serve the community and educate them.





Kevat's primary goal is to give back to the community and make it the most solid and united with thorough understanding of various aspects of financial literacy.

Kevat can easily be classified as an entrepreneur who cherishes challenges to make one stronger, and one who embraces change for future growth and one who always has a characteristic of upbeat hope. He nurtures a very united and healthy environment with all his colleagues, ensuring that the roots of his work are very solid and strong.

Kevat is a Financial Educator with 8+ years of experience which includes 2 full life-cycle Implementations and team building projects. Goal-driven, versatile, and quality-focused professional; with extensive experience in

defining business needs and developing valuable solutions to ensure accuracy and process efficiency. Adept in translating business goals into functional and technical requirements.

Mr. Patel has spoken and trained at many conferences and seminars ranging from 1500 to 15000+ attendees across the United States in efforts to spread the awareness in understanding all aspects of financial education.

Kevat currently possesses a financial license in over 35 states of the United States and is part of a national



financial literacy program. His team consists of over 615 members and counting as his mission is to impact as many individuals and families as possible to spread the need for financial literacy. He currently conducts many workshops to gather business requirements and familiarize the clients with products and his business model. He is highly involved in providing training to all new recruits on his team as needed. He currently aids in managing financial portfolios and strategic planning for 500+ clients across the U.S.A and now moving on to Canada.

In 2020, Mr. Patel accomplished the famous “Green Jacket” in the financial industry which symbolizes a true builder of teammates spreading the same mission of providing financial education through a proven system. All these credentials entitle him as a true “System Builder” in the fast-growing financial industry, where he stakes claim and takes pride in serving the community with utmost passion and integrity.

Mr. Kevat Patel's story is not just one of triumph over adversity, but a testament to the transformative power of resilience, vision, and unwavering commitment to excellence.



Bharat Gaurav



Dr. Saraswati Joshi

Retired Maître de Conférences
FRANCE



Dr. Saraswati Joshi

Dr. Joshi, a luminary born in 1937 in Udaipur, Rajasthan, into a traditional Brahmin family, embarked on an extraordinary journey marked by scholarly pursuits, cultural exchange, and literary contributions that spanned continents and generations. Her life story is one of unwavering dedication, passion for learning, and a profound commitment to promoting Indian language, culture, and literature on a global stage.

Dr. Joshi's academic journey began with her upbringing and primary education under the guidance of her maternal grandfather, Pt. Onkar Lal Pandey, in Varanasi. However, her pursuit of higher education was momentarily interrupted after her marriage to Dr. Vraj Raj Joshi, a distinguished scholar himself. Despite familial obligations, Dr. Joshi's thirst for knowledge remained unquenched as she delved into the scholarly works of her father-in-law, Prof. Ram Pratap Shastri, a notable Sanskrit scholar.

In 1967, Dr. Joshi's life took a transformative turn when her husband was appointed to teach Hindi as a foreign language at the Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales (INALCO) in Paris, France. With the intention of eventually teaching French in India, Dr. Joshi immersed herself in the study of the French language, civilization, phonetics, and audio-visual systems. However, fate had different plans for her. In 1969, she was appointed as a 'Répétitrice' for teaching Hindi as a foreign language in the Département d'Asie du Sud at INALCO. Subsequently, she also seized the opportunity to teach in the Département de Civilisation de l'Inde. Through her research and publications, despite maintaining her Indian citizenship, Dr. Joshi became 'Maître de Langue Étrangère' and was then tenured and promoted to 'Assistante d'Enseignement Supérieur' and eventually to 'Maître de Conférences'.

Dr. Joshi's contributions extended beyond the classroom. She recognized the challenges of teaching Hindi as a foreign language and took proactive measures to develop teaching materials tailored to meet the



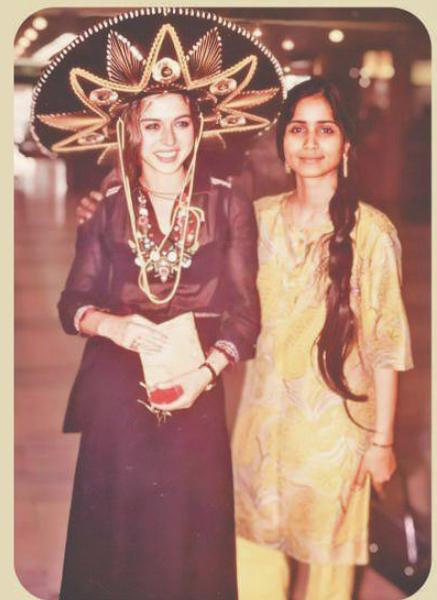


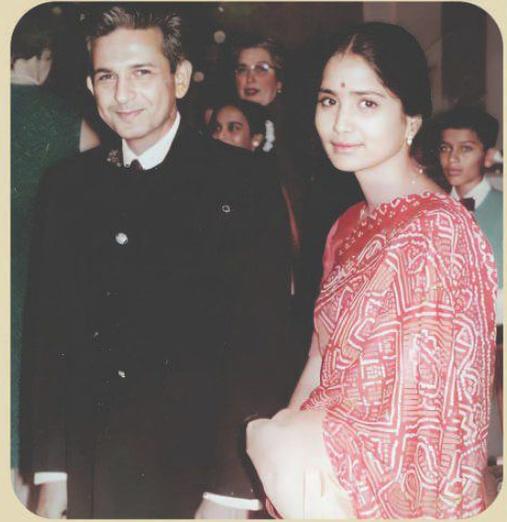
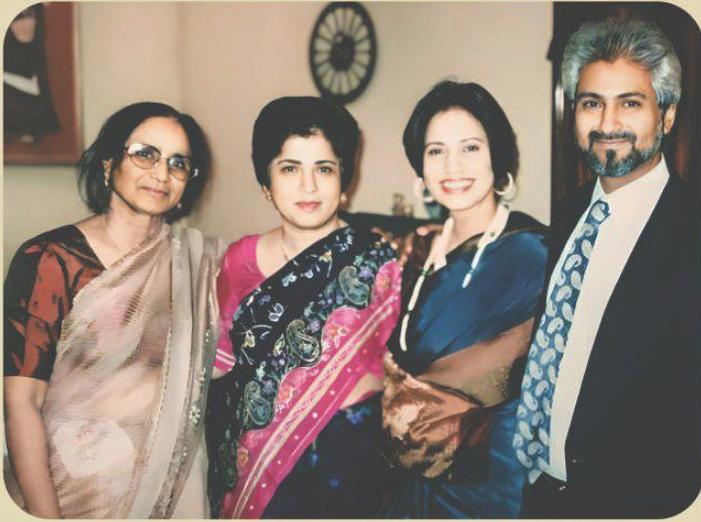
specific needs of her students. Under the direction of Prof. Nicole Balbir, the esteemed 'Dictionnaire Général Hindi-Français' was published, marking a significant milestone. Additionally, she collaborated with Prof. Annie Montaut on the creation of 'Parlons-Hindi', a textbook designed specifically for teaching Hindi as a foreign language.

Furthermore, Dr. Joshi's research delved into various facets of Indian culture, civilization, and oral literature. Her publications in esteemed journals and books covered topics ranging from oral literature to Indian civilization and culture, contributing significantly to the academic discourse on South Asian studies.

At INALCO, Dr. Joshi actively engaged in various committees and programs, showcasing her commitment to promoting Indian language and culture within the institution. Her Ph.D. thesis on the religious practices of Hindu women in Rajasthan, conducted under the guidance of Prof. Jean Luc Chambard, was a testament to her scholarly prowess and earned her widespread acclaim.

Dr. Joshi's literary endeavors mirrored her deep understanding and appreciation of Indian culture and traditions. Her poetry collections, including 'Aparajita', 'Mook-Sadhana', 'Shatarangi Laharen', 'Vani Ke Swar', and 'Aanchal Ke Bikhare Moti', celebrated the strength, resilience, and experiences of Indian women, serving as beacons of inspiration for generations to come.



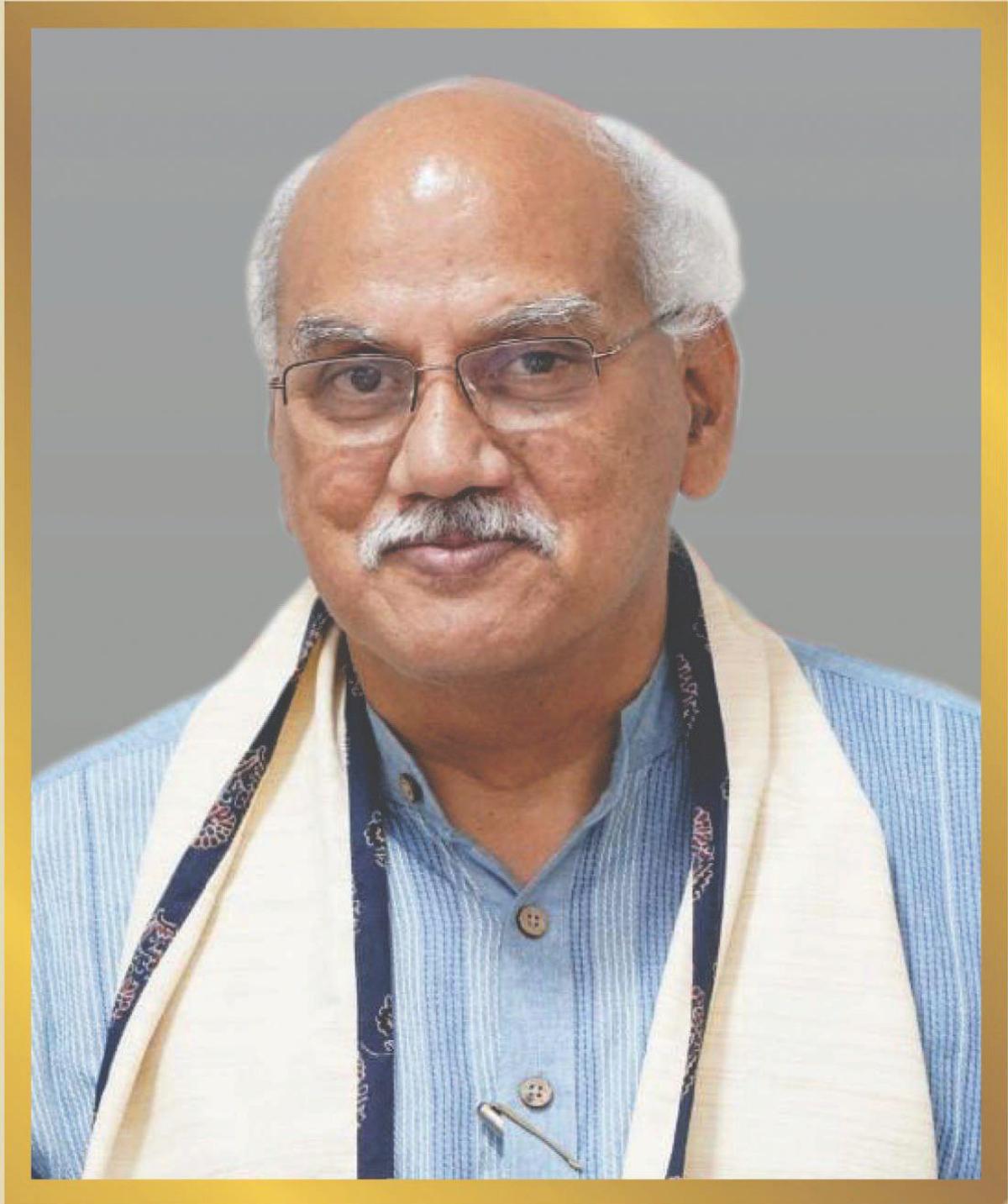


Her cultural and literary contributions garnered recognition and accolades both nationally and internationally. Dr. Joshi was honored with titles such as 'Vishv Hindi Sahitya-Rathi', 'Pravasi Bharat Ratn', and 'Chevalier dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques' by the French Government, cementing her legacy as a trailblazer in the field of Indian literature and culture.

Dr. Saraswati Joshi's life exemplified the power of knowledge, cultural exchange, and the enduring spirit of scholarship. Through her relentless pursuit of learning and dedication to promoting Indian language and culture, she left an indelible mark on the academic and literary landscape, inspiring countless individuals to embrace their cultural heritage and strive for excellence.

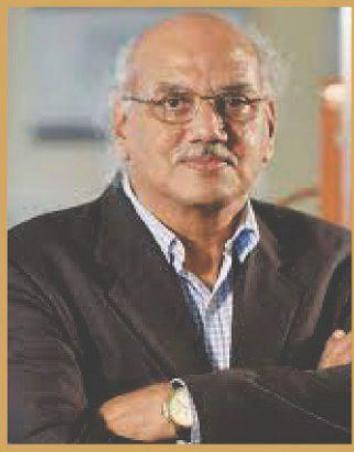


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Santosh Choubey

Science Communicator & Social Entrepreneur
INDIA



Mr. Santosh Choubey

A visionary leader and social entrepreneur, has dedicated over four decades of his life to uplifting millions of lives in rural, tribal, and underprivileged communities across India. His journey is a testament to the power of innovation, education, and inclusivity in driving meaningful change at the grassroots level. From pioneering initiatives in social entrepreneurship to revolutionizing education and promoting Hindi literature and culture, Choubey's impact resonates far and wide, leaving an indelible mark on society.

Early Life and Visionary Initiatives:

Born with a passion for serving society, Santosh Choubey embarked on his journey of social transformation after completing his education in Electronics and Communication Engineering from NIT Bhopal. Instead of pursuing prestigious government services, he chose to launch the All India Society for Electronics and Computer Technology (AISECT) in 1985. This decision marked the beginning of a groundbreaking endeavor to bridge the digital divide between urban and rural India. AISECT rapidly evolved into one of the country's largest social enterprises, with a mission to empower marginalized communities through education, training, and skill development.

Transforming Education and Empowering Communities:

Under Choubey's leadership, AISECT pioneered initiatives to democratize education and skill development in underserved regions. The establishment of five universities, including Rabindranath Tagore University and Dr. C.V. Raman University, exemplifies his commitment to providing quality education to students from rural and tribal backgrounds. By integrating compulsory skill development courses into formal degree programs, Choubey ensured that graduates were not only academically proficient but also job-ready and adaptable to industry demands. Through a network of over 25,000 rural





centers spanning 28 states and 6 union territories, AISECT has empowered 1.7 million youth, generated millions of Jan Dhan accounts, and facilitated financial inclusion in rural areas.

Promoting Science and Technology in Hindi:

Santosh Choubey's contributions extend beyond education to the realm of literature and language preservation. A prolific author, he has authored, translated, and edited over 70 award-winning books in Hindi, focusing on science, technology, and computer education. His seminal work, "Computer: Ek Parichay," published in 1986, set sales records across Hindi-speaking regions, laying the foundation for a series of influential publications on information technology and electronics. Choubey's commitment to promoting science in Hindi is exemplified by his role in editing the country's only Hindi magazine on electronics and information technology, "Electroniki Aapke Liye," which has become a prestigious platform for scientific discourse in the language.

Cultural Preservation and International Collaboration:

In addition to his contributions to education and literature, Santosh Choubey is deeply committed to preserving India's cultural heritage and fostering international collaboration. Initiatives such as the Vanmali Srijan Peeth and Tagore International Centre serve as catalysts for cultural preservation,





promoting indigenous art forms and traditions across the country. Furthermore, Choubey's visionary leadership has facilitated collaborations with international organizations and institutions, elevating Indian languages and culture on the global stage through events like Vishwarang - International Literature and Art Festival.

Legacy of Impact and Empowerment:

Santosh Choubey's legacy is one of profound impact and enduring empowerment. Through his visionary leadership and unwavering commitment to social change, he has transformed countless lives, bridged divides, and ignited a spirit of innovation and inclusivity across India. As we reflect on his remarkable journey, we are reminded of the power of vision, perseverance, and the indomitable human spirit to effect positive change in the world.



Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Rajesh Goel

Founder - Sanwariya Education Consultants
INDIA



Mr. Rajesh Goel

The founder of Sanwariya Education Consultants stands as a beacon of opportunity and excellence in the realm of education consultancy, spearheaded by his visionary leadership. Appointed as the Official Representative for prestigious institutions such as BBP University London UK, University of Roehampton, London, Oxford International Education Group, and Ravensbourne University London, his strategic vision has broadened educational horizons for countless students across India and globe.

He has empowered thousands of individuals to realize their academic and career aspirations. With a remarkable track record of success, Rajesh Goel has facilitated the dreams of over 7000 students in the past three years alone. Through strategic partnerships and innovative programs, he has garnered prestigious accolades, including recognition as the No.1 consultancy in the world for recruiting the highest number of students from India to University of Roehampton for two consecutive years.

Guided by the mission of democratizing access to quality education and fostering socio-economic development, Rajesh Goel continues to make a tangible impact, paving the way for a brighter future for the youth.

Rajesh Goel's family is the cornerstone of his life, providing unwavering support and boundless love that fuels his professional pursuits. United in marriage with his wife, Sangeetha Goel, since 1999, they have cultivated a nurturing environment for their two sons, Keertan and Skand. Sangeetha, his steadfast partner, leads by example as the CEO of Sanwariya Education Consultants, embodying strength and determination within their family unit. Their elder son, Keertan, assumes the pivotal role of CFO, bringing financial expertise and strategic insight to their shared endeavors, while Krishna Priya, their daughter-in-law, seamlessly integrates as the CMO, infusing innovation and marketing finesse into their operations.





Together, this cohesive familial bond not only strengthens personal connections but also propels Rajesh's commitment to empowering individuals through Sanwariya Education Consultants, catalyzing positive change in the lives of countless individuals.

At the core of Sanwariya Education Consultants lies the guiding principle of "Finding the right education that brings employment to youth," a mantra that encapsulates Rajesh's commitment to not only providing educational avenues but also ensuring their alignment with meaningful employment prospects. Through this ethos, Rajesh endeavors to bridge the gap between education and employment, equipping young minds with the requisite skills and knowledge to navigate the dynamic job market landscape.

Rajesh Goel's collaborative efforts with UK universities have not only broadened educational horizons but also garnered recognition and accolades for his contributions. His steadfast dedication to fostering international partnerships and facilitating access to quality education has earned acclaim both locally and internationally.





Looking ahead, Rajesh Goel envisions a future for Sanwariya Education Consultants characterized by expanded reach, innovative educational initiatives, strengthened international collaborations, and continued empowerment of individuals from diverse backgrounds. His aspiration is to evolve and adapt to the evolving educational landscape, ensuring that the organization remains a beacon of opportunity and excellence for generations to come.

In the past three years alone, Sanwariya Education Consultants, under Rajesh's leadership, has brought joy to the lives of over 7000 students. Each success story serves as a testament to Rajesh's unwavering commitment to empowering individuals and making a tangible difference in their lives.

As Sanwariya Education Consultants continues to uphold its motto of "Finding the right education that brings employment to youth," Rajesh Goel's dedication, innovation, and relentless pursuit of excellence ensure that the organisation remains a catalyst for positive change, paving the way for a brighter future for generations to come.



Bharat Gaurav



Dr. Pankaj Agrawal

Architect & Vastukar
INDIA



Dr. Pankaj Agrawal

After completing his masters in Civil Engineering specialisation in Structures from SGSITS, Indore in 1984. He started his career as Architect & structural consultant under “Multicare Consultants” at Indore. During the course of his consultancy, he got impressed by the effects of Vastu application i.e. Science of Balancing environment with man. He worked and gained knowledge in the Vedic Shastras.

He started working on the energy analysis of Human System, its balancing with environment and its correlation with Nature. He is trained for environmental energy management from International Institute of Bau-Biology and Ecology, USA, and on balancing of human energies from SBJ International, technical & scientific research Institute, Paris, France. He worked with professor K.G. Korotkov on GDV Instrument application organized by St. Petersburg State University, Russia in many other courses across the world.

He has written series of books and articles. His book “VASTU AN ART OF LIVING” was highly acclaimed world wide. His articles has been published in number of leading news paper like Dainik Bhasker, Health Magazine Nirog Dham, Hindustan Times, Times of India, Nai dunia, Choutha Sansar, Nav Bharat, Magazines Meri Saheli, Samarpan and international coverage in Gulf News, Gulf Today, Khaleej Times etc.

Institute of Vedic Vastu & Research Foundation was incorporated as a non-profit making organisation in 1995 by him, to advance Vedic principles of Vastu & create harmonious environment for individuals and societies.

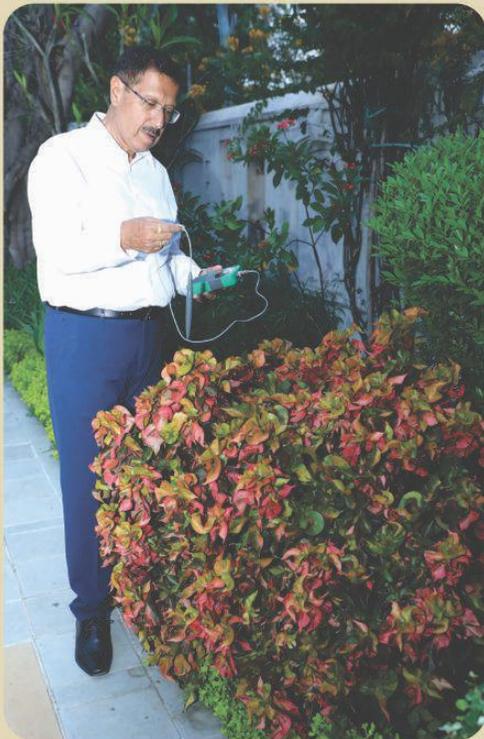
IVVRF activities in the field of Vastu sciences includes research & development, correspondence courses, workshops, seminars etc. Foundation has its own library of literatures, research papers & P.hd. thesis on vastu and related subjects. It also maintains an updated list of practicing Vastu Consultants. IVVRF publishes monthly news letter “Vastu News” since 1998.





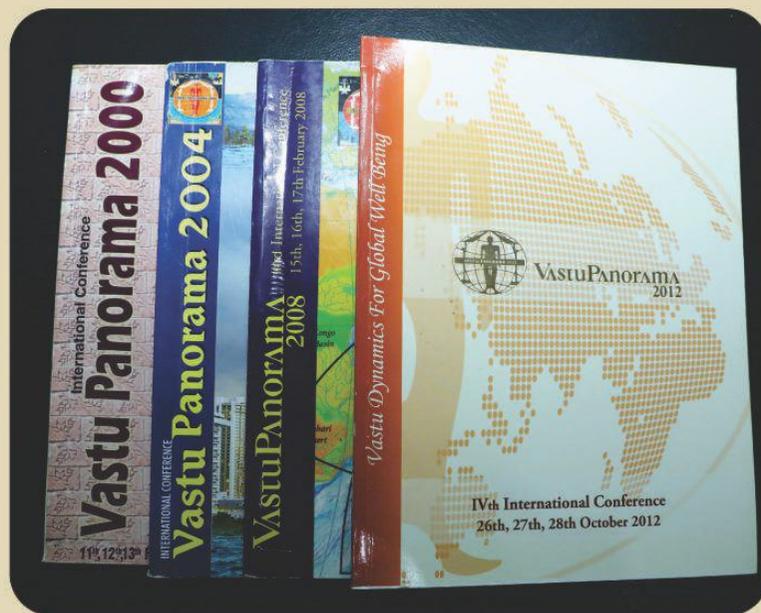
Dr Agrawal has rendered his professional services for more than 10500 cases, comprising of industries, commercial complex, residential projects and land developments. In 1997 Govt. of M.P. appoints him as technical adviser for the infrastructure development and planning of 'Indore Master-Plan'.

In 2015, he has been awarded space in "GOLDEN BOOK OF WORLD RECORDS" & "INDORE KE SITARE".





His expertise on "Vastu through Energy balancing" has been widely acclaimed by various groups like Tata's, Birla's, Rosy Blue etc & executed various projects at India, Muscat, Dubai, Malaysia, Singapore, Paris, England, Germany, Belgium, Canada, USA etc. Dr. Agrawal is also rendering his free professional services to various religious organizations viz. Swami Avdheshanandji Giri, Acharya Shri Vidyasagarji Maharaj, Maha Mandleshwar Swami Girja Nandji & Uttam Swamiji, Gayatri Pariwar, BAPS & many more in India & overseas.



Bharat Gaurav



Professor Sadhna Joshi

Chief Scientific Officer
CANADA



Professor Sadhna Joshi

Dr. Joshi is a molecular virologist with over 45 years of research experience. She has a stellar academic record and an unrelenting dedication to excellence. She is also recognized for her commitment to promoting Indian culture and literature, as well as for her contributions to the Indo-Canadian community.

Dr. Joshi is inspired by her paternal grandfather, the late Mahamahopadhyay Professor Ram Pratap Shastri, the Head of the Dept. of Sanskrit, Pali, and Prakrit at the University of Nagpur. Her parents, the late Dr. Vraj Raj Joshi and Dr. Saraswati Joshi (*Chevalier, dans l'Ordre des Palmes Académiques, Govt. de France*), were *Maître de Conférences* at *Institut National des Langues et Civilisations Orientales* (INALCO, Paris, France), where they taught Hindi as a foreign language. In addition, her father taught Indian economics at INALCO and SciencesPo (formerly *École Libre des Sciences Politiques*), and her mother taught Indian culture at the Dept. of Indian civilization. Her brother, Dr. Rajiv L. Joshi, D.Sc. (*Thèse d'État*), is a Director of Research at the *Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique* (CNRS), conducting research in neuroscience at the *Collège de France* in Paris. In 1979, Dr. Joshi married Dr. Ram N. Sukhwai, who obtained an M.Eng. from India, a *Docteur-Ingénieur* from the University of Paris VI, and a P.Eng. from Canada. Unfortunately, he passed away in 2011. They have one son, Raman Sukhwai.

After completing higher secondary education while living with her maternal grandparents in Udaipur, Dr. Joshi joined her parents in Paris, France, in July 1972. She quickly learned French during the summer and joined the University in September. Dr. Joshi completed her B.Sc., an M.Sc. with *mention très bien*, and obtained both her Ph.D. and D.Sc. (*Thèse d'État*) on plant RNA viruses' structure, function, and life cycle with *mention très honorable avec félicitations du jury* from the *Institut Jacques Monod, Université Paris VII*. She was also a post-doctoral fellow at the University of Leiden, The Netherlands, for two years. She received several fellowships and awards from *Fondation pour la Recherche Médicale Française*, the





European Molecular Biology Organization Long-term Postdoctoral fellowship, International Cell Research Organization (UNESCO), and *Délégation Générale à la Recherche Scientifique et Technique*.

Allelix Inc., a biotechnology company in Mississauga, Ontario, sponsored her to come to Canada as a Research Scientist in 1983. She then became a Senior Research Scientist and Principal Investigator in AIDS and Immune Regulation and coordinated the expression of soluble/secreted CD4 protein (receptor of human immunodeficiency virus, HIV) for clinical trials and drug design to treat AIDS patients. In parallel, she was the first to conceive the idea and begin research on HIV gene therapy, whereby patients' hematopoietic stem cells, which give rise to the HIV target cells or other cells (e.g., muscle cells), would be genetically modified for continuous production of antivirals. Gene therapy is particularly important as a single gene delivery procedure could ideally provide a **lifetime treatment**. This project was given high priority and was funded by a special committee set up by the Canadian Institutes of Health Research (CIHR).

In 1988, Dr. Joshi joined the Dept. of Microbiology/Molecular Genetics at the University of Toronto as an Associate Professor and Director of the HIV Research Laboratory. In 1991, she was tenured, was cross-appointed in the Dept. of Laboratory Medicine and Pathobiology, and became a full member of the School of Graduate Studies. Since 2020, Dr. Joshi has been a fellow of the Senior College, Professor Emerita at the University of Toronto, and Chief Scientific Officer of the Division of Biologics at Biolyse Pharma.

With over \$3,000,000 in funding from CIHR, the Canadian Foundation for AIDS Research, the National Health and Research Development Program, and the University, her research focused on developing **genetic strategies for HIV treatment and prevention**. It led to several patents and hundreds of





publications in top peer-reviewed journals and presentations at national and international conferences. In addition to undergraduate courses, Dr. Joshi supervised numerous M.Sc., Ph.D., and M.D. students, many of whom hold important positions.

For **treatment**, various **gene therapy** strategies developed in her laboratory include sense and decoy RNAs, antisense RNAs, multimeric ribozymes, mobile group II introns, *trans*-dominant negative mutants, targeted RNases, single-chain antibodies, and secreted antiviral proteins. Many of these strategies were original and highly effective at inhibiting HIV infection and spread. A “humanized” mouse model was also established to test HIV gene therapy strategies *in vivo*. For **prevention**, antiviral proteins were optimized for secretion from strains of *Lactobacillus* that colonize the vagina and gastrointestinal tract to develop **microflora defense**. As *Lactobacillus* makes yogurt, the engineered strains could be propagated at home and delivered orally, representing the most affordable, accessible, safe, and easy-to-use preventive measure to block HIV transmission.

Dr. Joshi believes one could give back to society in many ways: teaching and educating; offering help and support; promoting language, culture, and traditional values; and remaining faithful to the countries of origin and residence. In addition to her exemplary and remarkable contributions to the Indo-Canadian community, she is recognized for her dedication and efforts in promoting Indian culture and literature through her poems and articles in Hindi and English.

Dr. Joshi is the Editor-in-Chief of the **Annual Magazines** published by RANA Canada since 2013. She was also the Editor-in-Chief of the souvenir book, **Incredible Indo-Canadians**, published by the National Alliance of Indo-Canadians in honor of the Indian Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi's visit to Toronto in 2015. Dr. Joshi has been the President of the World Brahman Federation (WBF) Canada since 2018 and the Vice-President of Vishva Hindi Sansthan Canada since 2013. In addition to organizing several gatherings and helping the community, she helped arrange many *Kavi Sammelan* events and two International Hindi Literary Conferences.

Dr. Joshi received the **Professional Female of the Year 2013 Award** from the Indo-Canada Chamber of Commerce (ICCC) in Canada, and the **2013 Bharat Gaurav (Pride of India) Award** from **India International Friendship Society** in India. In 2014, she received the **Long Service Award** from the President of the University of Toronto. In 2018, Dr. Joshi received the **Achievement and Recognition Award** from the Indian Canadian Organization and the **Lifetime/Outstanding Achievement Award** from ICCC. In 2018, she also received the **Samaj Ratn Award** from *Srishya Shring Sansthan* in India. Moreover, she was twice awarded the **Member of the Year Award** from the Rajasthan Association of North America (RANA) Canada, in 2013 and 2022, respectively, and received the **Distinguished Academician and Community Service Award** from RANA USA in 2023. In recognition of her numerous contributions to research and community, her profile was published in a book, **Jewels of India**, featuring 75 Indo-Canadians, released in 2022 at the occasion of *Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav* by the High Commissioner of India in Ottawa, Canada.

Bharat Gaurav



Sewa Acharya Bharat Nagda

Social Worker
INDIA



Sewa Acharya Bharat Nagda

Sewa Acharya Bharat Nagda was born on December 18, 1971, in the serene village of Gada Moraiya, nestled in the heart of Dungarpur, Rajasthan. He was the fifth child of his esteemed parents, Late Pyar Chand Ji Nagda and the beloved late Sabbu Bai. Growing up in a household adorned with the principles of social activism and compassion, Bharat's early years were shaped by the teachings of revered texts like the Ramcharitmanas, the Mahabharata, and the Bhagavad Gita. His father's stature as a respected politician, social worker, and businessman, coupled with his mother's unwavering

faith and love, instilled in Bharat a deep sense of empathy and duty towards his fellow beings.

From a young age, Bharat was drawn to the plight of the underprivileged and marginalized communities surrounding him. His innate desire to alleviate their suffering led him on a path of selfless service and advocacy. Under the mentorship of senior leader Late Nathuram Ahari, Bharat found his calling in politics, using his platform to amplify the voices of the voiceless and champion the cause of social justice.

In 1992, fueled by his passion for social welfare, Bharat Nagda founded Muskan Sansthan, an organization committed to serving the most vulnerable members of society. Over the years, Muskan Sansthan has emerged as a beacon of hope, providing holistic support to countless individuals and families in need. From establishing helplines for distressed children to offering vocational training to unemployed youth, the organization's impact spans across various sectors, touching the lives of thousands.

Bharat Nagda's visionary leadership has propelled Muskan Sansthan to new heights of success. Under his guidance, the organization has set up child rehabilitation centers, orphanages, old age homes, and women shelters, offering sanctuary and support to those in dire circumstances. His unwavering commitment to





skill development has empowered countless young people to secure gainful employment, paving the way for economic independence and self-sufficiency.

Throughout his illustrious career, Bharat Nagda has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades, each serving as a testament to his tireless dedication and service to humanity. From the prestigious title of Sewa Acharya to the Rajasthan Gourav Award and the Nehru Bal Sanrakshan Puruskar, Bharat's contributions have been recognized and celebrated at both regional and national levels.

As a beacon of hope in the desert landscape of Rajasthan, Sewa Acharya Bharat Nagda's life story serves as an inspiration to all who aspire to make a difference in the world. His unwavering commitment to the principles of compassion, empathy, and social justice continues to light the way for generations to come, reminding us all of the power of one individual to ignite positive change in the world.



Bharat Gaurav



Mrs. Begam Batool

Folk Music Singer
INDIA



Mrs. Begam Batool

In the sprawling deserts of Rajasthan, where the sands whisper tales of ancient traditions and vibrant culture, there emerges a voice that transcends time and space. That voice belongs to Mrs. Begam Batool, a true maestro of Rajasthani Bhajan and Maand, whose journey from the narrow alleys of tradition to the grand stages of the world is nothing short of extraordinary.

Born into a conservative Muslim community, where the echoes of tradition often suffocate the dreams of women, Begam Batool dared to defy convention from a young age. Blessed with a natural talent for music, she found solace and expression in the rhythmic beats of the tabla and the soul-stirring melodies of Rajasthani folk songs.

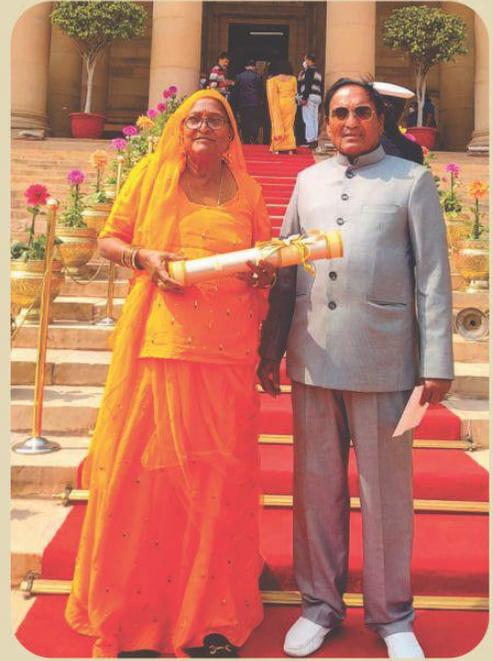
But Begam Batool's journey to musical prominence was not without its challenges. In a society where women's voices were meant to be heard only within the confines of their homes, stepping onto the public stage was a bold and courageous act. Yet, fueled by her passion for music and her unwavering determination, she embarked on a journey that would take her beyond the borders of her homeland and into the hearts of audiences worldwide.

With her mastery over a plethora of rhythmic instruments like the tabla, dholak, dhol, and Daf, as well as her proficiency in international instruments like the djembe and darbuka, Begam Batool crafted a unique and mesmerizing style that blended the traditional with the contemporary. Her ability to sing while playing the tabla herself became her signature, captivating audiences with its seamless fusion of melody and rhythm.

Despite facing skepticism and resistance from conservative elements within her community, Begam Batool remained undeterred. For over four decades, she has crisscrossed the globe, sharing the soulful melodies of Rajasthan with audiences in India, Europe, Africa, Australia, and beyond. From the grandeur of the Town Hall of Paris to the humble surroundings of the Cathédrale Saint-Louis in Tunisia, her performances have left an indelible mark on all who have had the privilege of hearing her sing.

But Begam Batool's contributions extend far beyond her musical prowess. She is a trailblazer, a pioneer, and a tireless advocate for women's empowerment. In a society where women are often relegated to the sidelines, she has carved out a space for herself as the only woman in her community to perform in public concerts. Through her initiatives like "Basant," she provides a platform for talented artists from rural Rajasthan to showcase their skills, fostering a sense of community and pride.





Her efforts have not gone unnoticed. She has been honored with prestigious awards like the "Nari Shakti Puraskar," the highest civilian honor for women in India, as well as the "Rajasthan Gaurav" Award from the Governor of Rajasthan. She has shared the stage with luminaries from across the globe, including French actress Sandrine Bonnaire, musician duo Polo and Pan, and Spanish flamenco dancer Yolanda Osuna, among others.

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at
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But perhaps Begam Batool's greatest legacy lies in the lives she has touched and the doors she has opened for future generations. Through her advocacy for education and empowerment, she has inspired countless young girls from her community to pursue their dreams, showing them that with talent, determination, and opportunity, anything is possible.

As the spotlight continues to shine on her remarkable journey, Begam Batool remains humble and grounded, a testament to the power of music to transcend boundaries and unite hearts. Her story, soon to be immortalized in a documentary by acclaimed filmmaker Audre Gordon, serves as a beacon of hope and inspiration for aspiring musicians and empowered women everywhere. In the rich tapestry of Rajasthan's cultural heritage, Begam Batool's voice will forever echo, a testament to the enduring power of music to uplift, inspire, and unite.



Bharat Gaurav



Shiv Narayan Jewellers

Mr. Kamal Kishore Agarwal - Chairman

Mr. Tushar Agarwal - Managing Director

INDIA



Mr. Kamal Kishore Agarwal Mr. Tushar Agarwal

Shiv Narayan Jewellers is a renowned name in the world of fine jewellery, dedicated to creating exquisite pieces that exude timeless elegance. With a legacy spanning several generations, our brand is rooted in a rich heritage of craftsmanship, attention to detail, and a deep understanding of the artistry of jewellery making.

At Shiv Narayan Jewellers, we believe that every piece of jewellery tells a unique story. Our expert artisans meticulously handcraft each creation, infusing it with passion and a commitment to perfection. We take immense pride in using only the finest ethically-sourced gemstones and precious metals, ensuring that every piece is of the highest quality.

We believe in the seamless blend of traditional craftsmanship and contemporary design. We draw inspiration from the rich cultural heritage of jewellery making, incorporating modern elements to create pieces that resonate with discerning customers who appreciate both timeless beauty and innovative design.

Vintage. Royal. Everlasting.

Famous for its beauty and grandeur, the Padmanath Swami Temple that inspired this necklace is home to Lord Vishnu who sits atop Sheshnag with the devoted Goddess Laxmi by his side surrounded by the light of diyas.





Our Legacy

Deep in the heart of South India lies the busy metropolitan of Hyderabad, rich in history, heritage, and culture. It is here, in this city, that Seth Sri Shiv Narayan Ji began his journey in jewellery crafting.

With great knowledge and expertise of the subject, he became the head jeweller of Mir Osman Ali Khan, Asaf Jah VII GCSI GBE, the last Nizam of the Princely State of Hyderabad. Considered the wealthiest man of the time, the Nizam's jewellery was filled with grandeur, renowned throughout the world and evoked a palpable feeling of excitement. To create the Nizam's many masterpieces, Sri Shiv Narayan spent many hours nurturing his love of the craft.

His sons joined the trade soon after creating masterpieces for the general populace after the expulsion of the royal families. As the industry grew and expanded, we remained a family business, driven by endless passion and an obsession to create unseen wonders.

The brand evolved at the hands of Mr. Kamal Kishore Agarwal and Mr. Tushar Agarwal, the current Chairman and CEO of the company. Together, they strive to reclaim the profound legacy of the family with royal, vintage jewellery reimaged for the modern world.

Where Creativity Meets Expertise

Every masterpiece begins with an inspiration- a small spark of creativity that fuels our passion. At Shiv Narayan Jewellers, we nurture these visions with dedication and creativity.

Our designs involve a complex and intricate process that involves creativity, skill, and an eye for detail. Each sketch is a wearable piece of art that reflects our unique savoir-faire. Our skilled designer must carefully select the finest materials, including precious stones, rare metals, and other materials that enhance the beauty and elegance of the piece.



Each high precision jewel is thoughtfully illustrated giving guidance to the craftsmen who bring it to life!

The Men Behind Our Success;

Mr. Kamal Kishore Agarwal

Our esteemed Chairman, Mr. Kamal Kishore Agarwal, is a visionary entrepreneur with undying passion. With his unique expertise, he has fostered a culture of innovation and creativity in all aspects of the brand.

Having dedicated over five decades to Shiv Narayan Jewellers, he inspires the company to craft new and exotic masterpieces everyday. Under his guidance, we have achieved 8 Guinness World Records® for the creation of 4 iconic masterpieces.

Mr. Tushar Agarwal

Mr. Tushar Agarwal, our beloved Managing Director with 20+ years of experience, is the heart of the company. His artistic vision and dedication to the craft ensures that each Shiv Narayan creation is on par with our elevated standards. His unwavering commitment, fuelled by his endless creative energy, has helped the brand reach new heights of success.

Cherished Treasures

Step into a realm of enchantment, where captivating magic empowers and inspires. Indulge in the resplendent world of high jewellery where inspiration becomes art.

Handmade in-house by our expert artisans, our most cherished jewels are an embodiment of royalty bound with our vintage aesthetic. Fashioned over hundreds of hours, the process of creation is extensive and intricate.

Our craftsmen pour their emotions into each piece creating a finished jewel out of raw materials harvested from the depths of the earth. The delicate metals and gemstones are handled with care and cut with purpose in order to maximise its vibrance.

Enriched with the blessings of nature and rich with the love of all who worked on them, each jewel is guaranteed to have an eternal brilliance.

The Crown Jewel

This iconic piece reimagines the unique relationship of the heavens, royalty and their kingdom with an intricate and indestructible web of emeralds and polki. Reminiscent of the aristocratic regality found hidden in the pages of ancient books, it is truly befitting of a queen!



Bharat Gaurav



Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar

Senior Literature, Education and Social Worker
INDIA



Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar

Her life is a testament to the power of passion, dedication, and resilience. From her humble beginnings in a small village in Uttar Pradesh to becoming a renowned litterateur, social worker and academician, her journey is both inspiring and remarkable.

Early Life and Education:

Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar was born on July 15, 1970, in Litavali, a village in the Jalaun district of Uttar Pradesh, India. Raised in a family with a military background, she imbibed values of discipline, service, and patriotism from an early age. Despite the challenges of growing up in a rural environment, she displayed a keen interest in education and literature.

Anjana's academic journey began at the local Kanya Pathshala in her village, where she received her primary education. Her thirst for knowledge led her to pursue higher studies at Allahabad University, where she completed her graduation. Subsequently, she obtained her post-graduation degree from Kanpur University and went on to earn a Ph.D. in History from Shikohabad University.

Transition from Government Service to Literature:

After completing her education, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar joined the Central Government of India, where she served diligently for several years. However, her true passion lay in literature and she harboured dreams of becoming a prolific writer and poet. Despite the security and prestige of her government job, she made the bold decision to retire voluntarily and pursue her literary aspirations full-time.





This transition marked a significant turning point in Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar's life. Liberated from the constraints of bureaucracy, she devoted herself entirely to her writing. Her decision to follow her heart and pursue her passion for literature exemplifies her courage, determination and unwavering commitment to her dreams.

Literary Achievements:

Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar's literary journey is characterized by prolificacy, versatility, and excellence. She made her debut as a poet with her first poetry collection, "Mann Ke Pankh", which was published shortly after her retirement from government service. This collection garnered widespread acclaim and established her as a promising voice in contemporary Hindi poetry.

Subsequently, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar continued to produce an impressive body of work, spanning various genres and styles. Her second masterpiece, "Jugnoo Ki Jung", further

solidified her reputation as a poet of immense talent and depth. She also ventured into Urdu poetry with her collection, "Agar Tum Mujhse Keh Dete", showcasing her proficiency in multiple languages and poetic forms. Her other books include "Hichikya Anjana Ki" (Hindi Poetry Collection), "Doha-Satsai", "Vidigdha Vandevi" – khand kavya, "Janmanas ke Maharaj-CM Yogiadityanath", "Yaadon ki Riyaasat"-Gazal collection and "Mahatma Gandhi and Communal Harmony-a critical analysis".

Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar has edited various top level magazines and book including Pt. Shyam Narayan Pandey Granthavali in four volumes. Her work and interviews has published in country's top leading newspapers and magazines.

Based on her work, two books were published: "Anjana Ek Shakhshiyat Ek Shayara", featuring reviews of her work by 25 literati, and "Anjana ek Vyaktitva ek Kavyitri", featuring reviews by 20. Several research papers and critiques on her work have also been published by researchers and academicians.

Over the years, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar's literary oeuvre has grown to encompass a wide range of themes, from love and longing to patriotism and social justice. Her poetry is marked by its lyrical beauty, emotional resonance and profound insights into the human experience. Through her words, she has touched the hearts and minds of readers across the country, inspiring them with her vision and creativity.



In addition to poetry, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar has also distinguished herself as a versatile writer and thinker. She has penned numerous articles, essays, short stories, and memoirs, exploring diverse subjects with depth and sensitivity. Her writings reflect her deep understanding of society, culture, and human nature, offering profound observations and thought-provoking insights.

She has achieved notable success in the field of song writing, having penned tracks for two video albums, namely "Paas Aane Lage Aajkal" and "Suroor." Additionally, she has written lyrics and produced three more songs: "Tum ijazat do mujhe," sung by Suresh Wadekar, "Diwali phir manayenge," sung by Zubin Garg, and "Ram Virajo Singhasan par," voiced by Khushbu Jain."



Social Service and Philanthropy:

Apart her literary pursuits, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar is deeply committed to social service and philanthropy. She firmly believes in using her talents and resources to make a positive difference in the lives of others, particularly the underprivileged and marginalized sections of society.

Driven by her passion for education and empowerment, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar founded the Chandra Educational Charitable Trust, with the aim of providing quality education to economically disadvantaged children. Through this trust, she has established and supported a network of educational institutions, including schools and colleges, in rural and semi-urban areas. Chairperson of Sanskar Global School, badged a record in "Guinness Book World Record" and "Golden Book of the World Record. In her efforts to improve the well-being of underserved communities, she established Sanskar Hospital in Pratapgarh.

Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar's philanthropic endeavors extend beyond education to encompass various other social welfare initiatives. She has been actively involved in providing financial assistance to girls from economically weaker backgrounds for their marriage, supporting small social organizations, and promoting women's empowerment through various initiatives.

Furthermore, Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar serves as the convener of the Intellectual Cell of the Ramayana Research Council, where she contributes her expertise and insights to scholarly discussions and research projects. Her dedication to promoting intellectual inquiry and academic excellence underscores her commitment to advancing knowledge and learning in society.

Recognition and Awards:

Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar's contributions to literature and social service have been widely recognized and honored by prestigious institutions and organizations across the country and abroad. She has received numerous awards and accolades for her exemplary work, reaffirming her status as a luminary in her field.

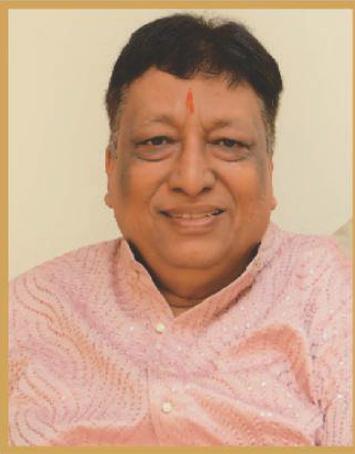
She has participated in various debates and discussions on literature on the country's top leading channels and state government channels. She has been honored and awarded more than 55 times in various states and cities across the country. Some of the notable awards and honors conferred upon Dr. Anjana Singh Sengar include the Firaq Gorakhpuri Samman from the Government of Uttar Pradesh, the Hindi Seva Samman in International Hindi Association's 21st Biennial Convention hosted by IHA - Indiana Chapter, United States of America, and the 8th Asian Literary Excellence Award. These awards not only acknowledge her individual achievements but also serve as a testament to her enduring legacy and influence in the literary and social spheres.

Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Pawan Kumar Agarwalla

Technology Entrepreneur, Social Worker & Educationist
INDIA



Mr. Pawan Kumar Agarwalla

Agarwalla is a successful entrepreneur and the Founder of Datamation, one of the most reputed and reliable IT Houses in the Northeast, established in the year 1988 to serve the best customer needs. He is a firm believer in Customer and Employee Satisfaction for Real Business Growth.

Born into a very impoverished middle-class family in a tea garden, Mr. Agarwalla has never felt oppressed because of his parents' unconditional love. He did his schooling in a small village in Nakachari, in the Jor-hat district of Assam, and pursued his graduation in Mathematics from JB College, Jorhat. He completed his post-graduation in Mathematics from Dibrugarh University in 1985 and later on pursued a Computer Diploma from Birla Institute of Technology, Mumbai in 1986.

Mr. Agarwalla is a determined and self-motivated person who opted to study computers at a time when there was not a single computer institute in the entire North East. He is such a visionary that he could envision a time when computers would rule the world. His curiosity drove him to learn how to use a computer. He could not have been the IT leader today unless he dared to do so and pursue this as his career. That was a major turning point in his career.

With his vision and dedication, Mr. Agarwalla started the Datamation business empire, which now has 300+ passionate employees and 1 million+ satisfied clients having an annual revenue exceeding about 250 crores+. Moreover, he says that Datamation services believe in supporting and ensuring that every customer gets the right product at the right place.

Under his leadership, the team members of Datamation are provided with the opportunity to learn and earn simultaneously. He has been serving the people of the Northeast in the field of IT for the last three decades. Regardless of the fact that he passed his 10th exam without electricity at home, he is now the person





who sells the latest gadgets such as the iPhone, mobile, laptops, smartphones, and so on to every nook and corner of North East as well as top businessmen and so on. Due to his courage and quick decision-making quality, Mr. Agarwalla is now a leading supplier of all the top IT brands like HP, Canon, Sony, etc. in the North Eastern region.

Mr. Agarwalla and his company have received over 200 awards from various associations, companies, and media. He has also travelled to more than 60 countries at the invitation of the world's leading IT companies. He has the opportunity to interact with many CEOs of global IT firms like Microsoft, Asus, Intel, Sony, and HP. He has received a great deal of inspiration and motivation from their triumphs. As a result of his extensive travels, he has obtained a broader perspective of different problems and issues in his mind, which he aims to apply in his native land.

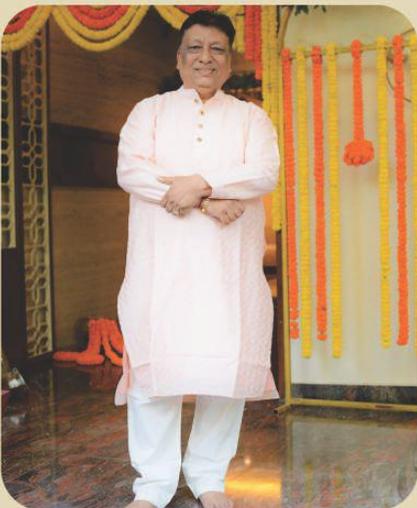
Besides being an entrepreneur, Mr. Agarwalla also served as the President of the Computer Association of NE for five years. He was also elected as the President of NECTA (North-east Computer Traders' Association) with a resounding victory in recent year and also associated with the Lions Club of Assam. He has had the good fortune to receive numerous invitations from Assamese electronic media outlets to attend their motivational talk shows, as well as invitations from other esteemed institutions and organisations in the region to deliver motivational speeches for the younger generation and educate them on how to become successful entrepreneurs.





Apart from this, Mr. Agarwalla is also a physically active person who enjoys listening to music, reading books, and gardening in his free time. In addition to his social welfare activities, he has been serving the common people in a variety of ways in his native place in Jorhat, thereby organizing free health camps, anti-witch-hunting awareness camps, and other events. As a whole, he emerges as a popular leader and a beacon of light for the locals.

Though he is considered one of the leading business professionals, Mr. Agarwalla never forgets his roots. Whenever he gets an opportunity, he still spends time with his friends. Today, Agarwalla seeks to share his thoughts and experiences with individuals across his business areas. He believes in working honestly and providing the best for his employees and customers.



Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Mohan Singh Chauhan

Businessman
ITALY



Mr. Mohan Singh Chauhan

Chauhan's journey from India to Italy, in the early '90s, is a story of ambition and cultural fusion. Born in the simplicity of Taliya village in Uttarakhand, Mohan's foundation in hard work and perseverance was instilled by his parents, Kunwar Singh Chauhan and Saraswati Chauhan. His humble upbringing fostered a deep appreciation for life's essence and encouraged him to pursue a brighter future for his family.

Upon embarking on his educational path in New Delhi, Mohan's passion for hospitality led him to IHM Pusa, where he received his degree in Hotel Management, laying the groundwork for his future. His leadership potential emerged when he was elected president of PGDAV College in 1988, highlighting his interest in governance.

In 1990, at the age of 22, Mohan began his career with the Italian car company, Fiat. Recognizing his potential and enthusiasm for growth, his boss, Mr. Ugo Lanfranchi, along with Mrs. Lanfranchi encouraged him to relocate to Italy with his wife, Neeru, and son, Ashish Chauhan. Empowered by their support and motivation, three years later, Mohan embarked on a journey marked by challenges and victories.

In 1997, along with Neeru, and co-founder and dear friend Adam Cleary, Mohan realized his entrepreneurial dream by establishing Rangoli restaurant, an Indian culinary gem in the heart of Milan. Rangoli was a collaborative effort fueled by the tireless dedication of Neeru as well as her three younger sisters, Jeevanti, Geeta, and Kamla — together with Mohan they built something truly special. Their





relentless efforts and boundless love have been instrumental in shaping Rangoli's success. A decade later, in 2000, Mohan embarked on further endeavors to pursue his diverse interests and passions. He continued his leadership journey by assuming the role of president at the Vishwa Hindu Parishad, Italy Shaka, solidifying his position as a community leader. Simultaneously, in the same year, Mohan, alongside Mr. Cleary, co-founded India Trading S.r.l., a prominent Indian wholesale business in Italy.

Mohan's long and incredible journey is supported and enriched by his wife, Neeru, and their two children. Neeru's role in their shared success goes beyond just logistical support; she is Mohan's emotional and spiritual backbone. She has stood by him through thick and thin, celebrating successes and overcoming obstacles with grace and resilience. Together, they have not only built businesses but also a family that deeply values its multicultural heritage.

To this day, Mohan continues to grow his expertise, as he recently opened a smaller and cozier Indian restaurant in Milan called Banaras; along with many other successful businesses in India and Italy spanning the past 20 years. As the businesses flourished, Mohan's philanthropic spirit remained high. He has long supported the Sarthak Foundation, which promotes and supports underprivileged children in Kanpur, India. He has provided two children with educational support from childhood to adulthood, witnessing their success as contributing members of society fills Mohan with pride. Mohan's deep connection to his origins extends beyond his culinary ventures. He lovingly restored his childhood home





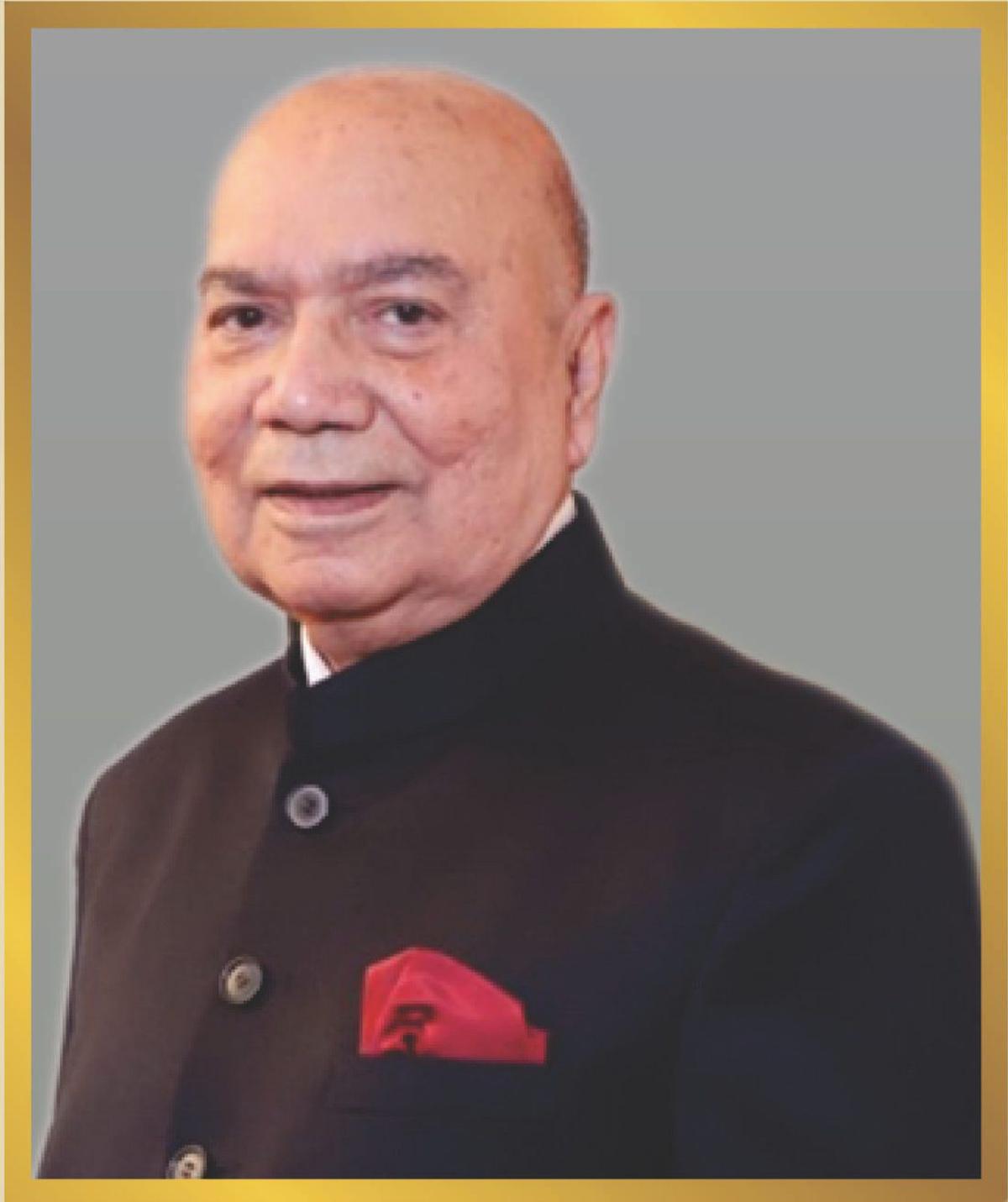
in Taliya village in Uttarakhand into a lovely resort, nestled among the beautiful mountains. This endeavor is a testament to his commitment to his roots and his eagerness to give back to the community.

As Mohan navigates the ups and downs of life, he finds solace and strength in the unwavering support of his family and close friends, whose love and devotion serve as his guiding light.

Grateful for the opportunities and love, Mohan approaches each new day with humility and resilience, and a commitment to give back to society as sincerely as possible.

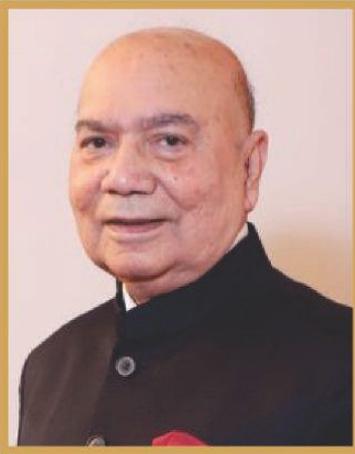


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Chaman Lal Bhalla

Entrepreneur
FRANCE



Mr. Chaman Lal Bhalla

Mr. Bhalla's journey from a hopeful entrepreneur to a cornerstone of Paris's culinary scene encapsulates a tale of resilience, familial dedication, and entrepreneurial spirit. Born in Mandi Bahauddin, Punjab - a region torn by the upheavals of the India-Pakistan partition - Chaman Lal Bhalla's family fled to India, settling in New Delhi. Here, amidst the challenges of displacement, they faced financial constraints and a significant loss of social status. Yet, these early adversities forged a resilience in young Chaman Lal, fueling a determination to restore his family's dignity and standing. From a young age, he balanced his academic pursuits with work, understanding that both

education and practical experience were crucial to overcoming the hardships his family faced. He tirelessly juggled his studies with various jobs, contributing to the family income while still attending school. This period of his life was not just about academic learning but also about gaining real-world experience that instilled in him a strong work ethic and a deep sense of responsibility. These qualities would later become the cornerstone of his entrepreneurial ventures and successes.

In 1973, Mr. Bhalla arrived in Paris with dreams of expanding his textile and garment business from Delhi. Despite initial setbacks, including language barriers that hampered his efforts, he persisted. His breakthrough came in 1976 when he secured a substantial order for 15,000 shirts, setting a foundation for his future ventures in the French capital.

Mr. Bhalla's entrepreneurial journey took a significant turn towards the culinary world when he, along with two colleagues, noticed the success of a local Indian restaurant. Inspired, they opened their own restaurant near Rue de Louvre, which quickly became a popular spot among Parisians and tourists alike. This experience sparked the idea that would grow into a family-run restaurant empire.

In 1982, the opening of *Tandoori* in Montparnasse marked the beginning of the Bhalla family's prominent presence in Paris's restaurant industry. Over the years, their portfolio expanded to include multiple establishments, such as the prestigious *Ashiana* in Neuilly-sur-Seine (1985) and another in Montparnasse (1987), renowned for their authentic Indian cuisine and warm, inviting ambiance.

His restaurants became cultural hubs, attracting celebrities and dignitaries from both France and India, including French politicians like Nicolas Sarkozy, Indian leaders such as L.K. Advani, French singer Patrick Bruel, and Indian cinema stars like Hrithik Roshan and Preity Zinta.

Furthermore, driven by a spirit of exploration, he opened an Italian restaurant, *Au Soleil Italien*, around 2005 in Porte de Champerret and continued to innovate with new locations like *Ratn* near the Champs-Élysées in 2006 and another *Ashiana* at Ternes in 2016. Today, they are being managed by the family; the children as well as the grandchildren.

Mr. Bhalla's commitment to cultural advocacy extended beyond his restaurants. He was a founding member of the Global Organization of People of Indian Origin (GOPIO) in France, which played a vital role in promoting Indian cultural and social interests abroad. Through GOPIO, he facilitated numerous initiatives that enriched the cultural dialogue between the two nations.

As we reflect on Mr. Bhalla's remarkable journey, we see a vivid illustration of how dedication, coupled with a passion for one's heritage, can transcend boundaries and foster mutual appreciation and respect between diverse communities. His story is not just one of achieving personal success; it is about creating a lasting impact on the cultural landscapes of two countries, proving that food truly is a universal language that brings people together.



Bharat Gaurav



Mrs. Olivia Ramoutar

Deputy Mayor of Sainte Anne
GUADELOUPE



Mrs. Olivia Ramoutar

In the cultural mosaic and vibrant community of Sainte-Anne, in Guadeloupe, a luminous and dedicated figure which stands out as a living symbol of diversity and dynamism emerges: Olivia Ramoutar. As Deputy Mayor of Sainte Anne and President of the Local Tourism Federation, she embodies the spirit of public service and community engagement. Her journey is marked by an unwavering dedication to the well-being of the inhabitants of this magnificent region.

Coming from a lineage whose roots go back to India, Olivia Ramoutar embodies the richness of Indo-Guadeloupean heritage while devoting herself to the advancement and well-being of the residents of Sainte-Anne. Just for history, it's good to remind that the first Indian (354 indentured workers) arrived in Guadeloupe on board the ship Aurélie in the night between December 24th and 25th 1854. More than 42,000 Indians - mainly from Puducherry, Karaikal and Kolkata - arrived in Guadeloupe between 1854 and 1889.

Olivia Ramoutar is of the 4th generation of People of Indian Origins (PIOs). She carries within her the history and culture of her great grandparents who left India to settle in the Caribbean region. This deep connection with her origins gives her a unique perspective on the Guadeloupean social fabric, thus enriching her commitment to the development and unity of society. She is the founding member and President of the Global Indian Organisation (GIO) Guadeloupe which is a non-profit, social and non-political organization. It provides an interactive global platform to foster dialogue and exchange with the Indian Diaspora locally with those of other countries around the world in various fields including culture, education, business, science and technology.

In October 2023, Olivia Ramoutar met His Excellency Jawed Ashraf, Ambassador of India in France and Monaco to discuss about issues concerning the PIOs of Guadeloupe and their difficulties in the obtention of the OCI cards (Overseas Citizens of India). Just after, she was with the Indian Diaspora of France in the Diwali 2023 event held at the Intercontinental Paris Le Grand Hotel (5 stars) in Paris with Senator Dominique Theophile, Vice President of the Senate of France and Mayor of Sainte Anne, Mr Francis Baptiste. In November 2023, Olivia Ramoutar participated in the “International Men's Day Event” in the British Parliament, Westminster, London with a delegation of Guadeloupeans.



As Deputy Mayor of Sainte-Anne, Olivia Ramoutar established herself as a strong and visionary voice within local administration. Her appointment is a testament not only to her skills and dedication, but also to the recognition of her ability to lead and inspire. In collaboration with Mayor of Sainte Anne, Mr Francis Baptiste and other members of the municipal team, she works tirelessly to implement innovative initiatives aimed at improving the quality of life of residents and making Sainte-Anne a place where everyone can flourish and prosper. Her dynamic leadership and progressive vision helped transform the city into a thriving place to live.

Beyond her official responsibilities, Olivia Ramoutar is actively involved in various areas. Her commitment to education is reflected in initiatives aimed at supporting young people in their academic and professional careers. She recognizes that education is the key to the emancipation and empowerment of individuals, and she works immensely to provide equitable opportunities for all.

As a staunch advocate for women's rights, Olivia Ramoutar fights for gender equality and the empowerment of women in all aspects of society. She actively supports programs aimed at strengthening female leadership and eliminating gender-based violence and discrimination. Her hard work and determination have helped to create an environment where women can thrive and realize their full potential.

However, what truly sets Olivia Ramoutar apart is her tireless dedication to the most vulnerable in society. As a social worker, she devotes a significant part of her time to helping the senior people of Sainte-Anne. Her empathy and compassion have a profound impact on the lives of those she helps, creating a strong network of support within the community.

Over the years, Olivia Ramoutar has earned the respect and admiration of her fellow citizens thanks to her integrity, her determination, and her unwavering commitment to the common good. Her positive influence is felt in all aspects of life in Sainte-Anne, from education to the economy, social activities and tourism.

In parallel with her municipal functions for the region of Sainte Anne, Olivia Ramoutar assumes the role of President of the Guadeloupe Local Tourism Federation. This strategic position allows her to promote sustainable, responsible tourism and local entrepreneurship, while preserving the cultural authenticity of the region. Her commitment to the economic and ecological development of the tourism sector demonstrates its holistic vision of progress.

In conclusion, Olivia Ramoutar embodies the spirit of leadership, determination and solidarity that are so badly needed by the Guadeloupeans to shape their own destiny and build a prosperous future for the coming generations. She represents not only an undeniable driving force but also a bridge between cultures and a pillar in the heart of Guadeloupe.

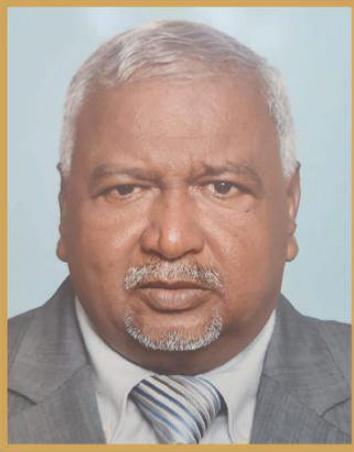


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Jean Yves Ramassamy

Entrepreneur and Social Advocate
GUADELOUPE



Mr. Jean Yves Ramassamy

In the vibrant tapestry of Guadeloupe's community, Jean Yves Ramassamy stands out as a beacon of leadership, entrepreneurship, and social advocacy. With a multifaceted approach to community development, he garnered admiration and respect, making him a prominent figure in both the political landscape and the social fabric of the island.

Jean Yves is born on the Christmas Day of 1958 at Point-à-Pitre, Guadeloupe, an overseas department of France which is also called the Caribbean butterfly because it looks like two islands connected by bridges. The mountainous west wing named as Basse Terre (Low Land) was created by La Soufrière, a still active volcano. The east wing of the butterfly, called Grande Terre (High Land), includes the largest city, Pointe-à-Pitre, and thanks to its white sand beaches, resorts, and cute seaside towns it is the more touristic part of Guadeloupe. Jean Yves has grown up within the rich cultural diversity of Guadeloupe and has always been passionate about preserving the heritage of the Indian diaspora. His journey is marked by a deep attachment to his ancestral culture and an ardent desire to serve his island with dedication and compassion.

As a Deputy Mayor of Capesterre Belle Eau for 25 years, Jean Yves Ramassamy has demonstrated remarkable leadership and dedication to the well-being of Guadeloupe's residents. He was also the Departmental Advisor of Guadeloupe. He was appointed by the regional academic delegation for the professional training and Business Advisor for school, for the years 2024 to 2027. He was also the 2nd Vice President and founding member of SYMEG (Mixed Syndicate Electricity of Guadeloupe) for 10 years. In general, his tenure in serving the affairs of his region has been characterized by a commitment to inclusivity, transparency, and effective governance. Through strategic policy initiatives and collaborative decision-making, he has worked tirelessly to address the diverse needs of the community and to foster a culture of civic engagement. Thus, fostering inclusive growth, and enhancing the quality of life for all residents.

Jean Yves Ramsamy's impact goes far beyond his individual achievements and his roles in politics and business are perhaps best known for his unwavering commitment to social welfare, clean environment, and community empowerment. As a dedicated social worker, he has spearheaded numerous initiatives aimed at improving the lives of marginalized populations, promoting access to education and healthcare, and fostering social cohesion around a common vision of progress and solidarity. Thanks to his actions, he insisted for the gas prices to be decreased and made affordable to everybody. His inspiring leadership and selfless dedication have made him a true role model for present and future generations in Guadeloupe and beyond. During his career he met President of France, Jacques Chirac on several occasions.



In addition to his public service role, Jean Yves Ramassamy is also a trailblazer in the realm of entrepreneurship. As a seasoned business manager, he brings a wealth of experience and insight to his ventures, driving innovation and growth across various sectors of the economy. His entrepreneurial endeavors not only contribute to job creation and economic diversification but also exemplify his visionary leadership and entrepreneurial spirit. His diverse fields of business are the environment, buildings and constructions and has also his transport company. He is registered at the Chamber of Commerce of Guadeloupe for more than 45 years and was gold medalist for good services rendered. He was also rewarded with the certificate of artisanal excellence in recognition of the merits for his works in the craft sector. He is the President of the Caribbean Cooperation Commission and leading the organization of the Paris Trade Fair 2024.

Jean Yves Ramassamy's entrepreneurial pursuits are deeply rooted in a desire to empower individuals and communities through economic opportunity. From fostering small and medium-sized enterprises to supporting innovation hubs and startup ecosystems, he champions initiatives that enable aspiring entrepreneurs to thrive and succeed. By nurturing a culture of entrepreneurship, he seeks to unleash the full potential of Guadeloupe's human capital and drive sustainable economic development.

The synergy between Jean Yves Ramassamy's roles as Deputy Mayor and business manager epitomizes the convergence of governance and entrepreneurship in driving positive change. By bridging the worlds of governance and entrepreneurship, he pioneers a holistic approach to socio-economic development that is both innovative and inclusive. In recognition of his many contributions, Jean Yves Ramsamy has received many accolades and recognitions, but for him, the true legacy lies in the hearts and minds of the people he touched and inspired.

As Jean Yves Ramassamy continues to navigate the complex landscape of governance and entrepreneurship, his legacy of impact reverberates throughout Guadeloupe and beyond. Through visionary leadership, strategic foresight, and unwavering dedication, he inspires individuals to dream boldly, act decisively, and contribute meaningfully to the advancement of society. In the narrative of Jean Yves Ramassamy, we find a testament to the transformative power of leadership and the boundless potential of human endeavor.

To conclude, Jean Yves Ramassamy remains an exceptional man of the Indian diaspora from Guadeloupe, a great social worker, whose legacy will continue to shine as a beacon of light and hope for generations to come. His unwavering dedication to his community and his passion for preserving Indian culture make him a true living treasure of Guadeloupe.



Bharat Gaurav



Dr. Asha Samant

DMD, MDS, BDS, FICD
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA



Dr. Asha Samant

The east coast of United States is a region that houses some of the finest Indian brains in the world. Dr Asha Samant is that perfect example who has excelled beyond expectations and has perched at the very top of her profession. She came to United States for her higher education from India and has finally made USA her second mother land.

Asha was born in a rural village of Punjab and grew up in a village characterized by dry sand and dust indicates a harsh, arid environment where water is scarce, and agriculture is challenging. Asha's morning routine involves helping her grandmother with essential tasks like milking buffalo and cow, as well as cleaning cow dung and making dung cakes. She was in a close-knit family structure where generations collaborate and support each other in daily tasks. These shared experiences not only strengthen family bonds but also contribute to the social cohesion of the village community.

Asha's father was a freedom fighter, and she thus got the opportunity to join many protests at the age of 16-18 years. Later the family moved to Amritsar. City life was fun, standing outside the front door watching cars, cycles Horse Tangas was amazing for her. Many assets of her mother were donated for the cause and cost of the freedom fighting. She had a very simple life, not being able to afford expensive meals. Asha completed her school where education was free and learnt to lead a simple life which was for her the best learning. Dr Asha Samant with Hon. PM Narendra Modi General Mohan Singh was a key figure in the Indian National Army (INA), also known as Azad Hind Fauj, during the Indian independence movement. Asha Samant as a young photographer accompanied General Sahib going around many conventional facilities. She was fortunate to meet late PM Jawahar Lal Nehru and her sister Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit. In a natural response, she was captivated by the physical appearance, attractiveness grace and elegance of Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit which exude confidence and charisma that inspired her in a certain way.

Asha admired her father greatly for his dedication and activism to the noble cause for freedom. She preferred to be with him, wearing Khadi clothes and going from one village to other marching to convey the messages and values of Freedom rather than sitting in a classroom. This interest for active involvement led her to work with Congress Party and Lion Chief Minister Pratap Singh Kairon, who advised and pushed her to go back to continue education. She was driven by the desire to push the boundaries of dental science and that's where Dr Asha Samant embarked on a journey of higher education. She got admission to medical college where she specialized in the field of dentistry. Her thirst for knowledge led her to pursue further qualifications solidifying her expertise and establishing her as a leading authority in the dental community. Finally, Dr Asha Samant received her undergraduate and postgraduate degree from Government Dental College, Amritsar, Punjab (India). She always had in vision to become devoted leader of the country like other role models she met earlier in life.



During her Dental professional Career her motto was “Oral health and General health are Linked. Oral cavity is the entry Door to the Human Body.” Through her clinical practice, research endeavors, and academic pursuits, she has made significant strides in advancing dental care. Her innovative approaches to treatment, coupled with her compassionate demeanor, have earned her the respect and admiration of both colleagues and patients alike. Her commitment was to treat everyone who needed care. She provided everyone the Oral health care from common person to several dignitaries of India. Her highlight was treating and providing dental care to late Sh. Jay Prakash Narain BJP leader, who was detained within the four walls by PM Indira Gandhi. It was unique scary situation and under strict security to take care of him. Dr Asha Samant also treated the 7th President of India, late Giani Zail Singh, whom she knew since long time as MLA to Chief Minister of Punjab. She also provided care to the late BJP leader, Chander Shekhar whom she met later in New York during his medical treatment.

Dr Asha Samant completed the Graduate Certificate Program in Prosthodontics from NYU School of Dentistry, where she also served as a teaching fellow. She completed the Doctor of Dental Medicine (DMD) program at UMDNJ – New Jersey Dental School (NJDS) and in 1981 joined its faculty, where she is now a tenured associate professor. Dr Samant is a fellow of the Academy of Dentistry International (FADI) and International College of Dentists (FICD) and been recognized for her extensive involvement in the dental community service.

Through her tireless efforts, she has worked to bridge the gap between theory and practice, ensuring that the latest advancements in dental science are accessible to all. In the United States, she was a tenure associate professor in Rutgers State University Dental School for 41 years. She gave lectures to undergraduate and post graduate clinical Dentistry in various fields. She did more than 16 research funded projects. Her summer students won awards and she has presented research work locally and at international level as well. She was invited as speaker in over 16 countries worldwide to present lectures and served conference several sessions. She chaired several working committees of the school and nationally to advocate for positive change and champion the cause of oral health awareness.

Dr Asha Samant has spoken on several occasions on issues of Violence Against Women. She was elected twice as President of Academic Assembly of the school. She also served Faculty Senator on Rutgers University as representative of the Dental School. Rutgers Senator elected her to serve on Board of Trustees of Rutgers University. She was the founding Director of Indian Dental Association New Jersey and the founding Advisor of the Indian Student Dental Association. She was elected by Governor of New Jersey to serve member New Jersey State Board of Dentistry. She was Examiner of Dentistry Examination CDCA WERB CITA.

Dr Asha Samant has been the recipient of numerous awards and accolades, honoring her outstanding achievements and unwavering dedication to the profession. Her peers and colleagues continue to laud her for her exemplary work and tireless commitment to excellence.



Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Rama Reddy Sivapragassen

Directeur Home Le Génévrier
SWITZERLAND



Mr. Rama Reddy Sivapragassen

In the quaint town of Courgenay of the canton of Jura, nestled amidst the serene landscapes of Switzerland, a beacon of hope shines bright for senior citizens in need of medical assistance and companionship. Rama Reddy Sivapragassen, also known familiarly as Gassen, a passionate gerontologist with a heart of gold, has embarked on a noble mission to provide compassionate care to the elderly or senior people through his initiative of creating a dedicated medical and social establishment (EMS): “Home Médicalisé Le Genèvevrièr”.

Rama Reddy Sivapragassen immersed himself in different medical institutions and engaged with elder communities to gain invaluable insights into their unique healthcare challenges. In 1977, he joined the Health Center of Loex (near Geneva, Switzerland). Later for mostly 10 years worked in giving health care in Thonex before moving forward in creating his own business. These experiences not only broadened his clinical expertise but also deepened his empathy and understanding of the elderly population. With this deep-seated compassion for the elderly and a commitment to serving the community, he realized that every individual, regardless of age or circumstance, deserves to live with dignity and respect.

What sets Gassen's initiative apart is not only its commitment to providing top-notch medical care but also its emphasis on fostering a sense of community and belonging among its residents. At “Home Médicalisé Le Genèvevrièr”, seniors are not just patients but cherished members of a warm and welcoming family, where laughter and companionship abound.

In addition to medical care Gassen has a multidisciplinary team of passionate healthcare professionals united by a shared goal—to provide seniors with the highest standard of care. They organize a variety of recreational activities and social events designed to enrich the lives of their residents and foster a sense of joy and fulfillment. Art therapy sessions and other group activities are done not only promote physical and mental well-being but also create opportunities for meaningful connections and shared experiences. Every aspect of the center's services is meticulously crafted to meet the diverse needs of its elderly persons.

Gassen's dedication to the well-being of the elderly extends beyond the walls of “Home Médicalisé Le Genèvevrièr”, as he actively collaborates with local organizations to address the broader social and economic challenges facing seniors in the community. He strives to elevate the standard of elderly care and empower seniors to live their best lives.

In the tapestry of Rama Reddy Sivapragassen's life, the thread of dedication runs deep. From his humble beginnings as a student to the visionary leader of a pioneering medical center, his journey serves as a testament to the transformative power of passion, perseverance, and purpose. He has touched the lives of countless individuals and families, leaving an indelible mark on the community of Le Genèvevrièr and beyond. In a world where the elderly are often marginalized and overlooked, his initiative serves as a beacon of hope and a testament to the transformative power of empathy and kindness.

As he continues to spread love and compassion one smile at a time, Rama Reddy Sivapragassen's legacy will endure as a shining example of the profound impact that one person can have on the lives of others.



Bharat Gaurav



Advocate Priakumari Hassan

Founder and CEO Women of Africa Group
SOUTH AFRICA



Advocate Priakumari Hassan

A South African woman born in the City of Kwa-Zulu Natal educated at Howard College Law school and thereafter left to what is called the City of Gold Gauteng. Becoming an award-winning and industry-changing entrepreneur has, for Advocate Pria Hassan, been a journey paved with steely determination and commitment to gender inclusivity. The Founder and CEO of the WOA (Women of Africa) Group a dynamic women-driven organisation in the sectors such as Energy Logistics, Pharmaceuticals, Construction and Investments she is at the forefront of women development in South Africa and Sub-Saharan Africa.

The former University of Natal alumna attained her LLB degree in the 1990's pursued further accreditation at institutes such as the University of Pretoria, Gordon Institute of Business studies amongst others. With a career spanning more than two decades, Hassan is a property, logistics, mergers, acquisitions and legal expert who believes that her commitment to this country should be on turning around businesses in order to facilitate their contribution to the poverty-stricken communities in our country. Despite serving on numerous boards holding executive positions in several JSE-listed companies Hassan followed her dream of "being the change she wanted to see" (Mahatma Gandhi). Driven by her passion to succeed and astute business acumen, Hassan made the courageous decision to establish WOA in 2004 with the aim of accelerating gender inclusivity.

This woman owned and managed entity paved the way for Hassan and other emergent local businesswomen to trade not just in South Africa but globally. In addition, Hassan serves on the board of several other NPO such as Proudly South African, Jess Foord Foundation and WOA Foundation and other women-based organisation. Hassan believes that through these platforms, she is able to positively impact lives in meaningful ways. Hassan has scooped top honours claiming the titles of several prestigious awards: Top Black Female Entrepreneur at The Metropolitan Oliver and of recent the Top Gender Empowered Company. Since 2011 she has been awarded multiple local and international awards for her contribution to the energy, construction, engineering, legal, entrepreneur and numerous other sectors. Hassan has been and is a key advisor to the various public bodies in energy, trade, environment and local economic development.

It does not matter to her that she was honoured with so many awards, she believes her true worth is measured by how much she has in her own way and through her participation as a business owner/board member served the people of her country. Even as CNBC's Women of the Year in 2012 she didn't wait for any moment of fame to embark on her journey of being revolutionary and transforming the sectors that women remain locked out of. It was not just about her giving access to others but equipped with a strong team she moved on to transfer skills to as many emerging enterprises by providing knowledge access to industry players, infrastructure support and mentorship. For this and much more Hassan was recognised by the Durban Chamber of Commerce and Industry her role in maintaining business proficiency. Despite the accolades, Hassan remains humble in her achievements and is driven by her dedication to continue to encourage and inspire future generations of female business leaders through experience, business acumen, knowledge, mentorship and training and skills development.

Hassan shared that the journey of WOA is 'nothing like I ever anticipated'. Businesses have goals and objectives and this serves as a roadmap for the monthly implementation but during the COVID 19 times she shared, 'I felt agile enough to adopt and modify our plans. Not everyone around was that fortunate, a huge reason for this was our heart lay with the people in the business, realistically we had to use our emotive side to give them the stability, calmness and strength needed'. Pria in her own words sums up the history behind Pria Hassan and WOA as, 'A woman that qualified in law whilst using her entrepreneurial skills set determined and unrelenting in breaking into non-traditional female represented areas as I felt the edge of emotional intelligence combined with our part and parcel of being completely knowledgeable before we step into a business forum in an unconventional manner.'

As a KZN woman, Pria opined, 'I never held back when it came to trying to establish the businesses, there was never the perfect time or adequate funding. What pushed me was effective habits, passion together an ocean of

energy. What I did struggle with was the balance between my work and my private life'. Nothing in my life is defined by monetary value or accumulation. Perhaps that can be construed as being weak. 'In my era and business I feel valued if I leave my people feeling like they have developed themselves to be stand alone enterprises, if my customers want more of my ideas and insight and my product demand has grown by its sustainability and value adding reasons, these are the points of business I step in wholehearted'.

Hassan further shared, 'In time these measures do change, you learn to revive and revise your business ventures in line with what is trending, understanding the market and finding opportunities where there were clear needs.

'For Hassan , a leap of faith resonates as 'a meaningful leadership in the fourth industrial relationship. Africa in particular resists change especially when it comes to technology. To ensure that the leap of faith had a grounded landing WOA executives have sessions that address data integrity and security, part and parcel of ongoing business planning and disaster recovery management. We see global competitiveness and economies in certain sectors shrinking. Intelligence and planning require robust human intelligence, steady infrastructure, own energy sources (in case of disruption) and a proper response to legislation. She shared that when 'I say this, I know it sounds scientific, complex and daunting but we also know that these revolutions inevitably lead to innovation, in WOA, the team sees this as a time to lead' In the context of a week fiscal environment, it is known that this is easier said than done but, according to Hassan, ' If we want to be those women owned entities that rise above the adversity then we have to be atomic in our business plans, have remarkable Human Resources, diversified supply, consolidate expenses, strengthen the finances and rebuild the artificial intelligence in manageable chapters.'

Hassan shared the following questions in response to challenges that she experienced in business over the decades. The traditional banking sector despite all the incentives and regulations still imposes strict criteria on any consideration for financial support. Why is this still not resolved despite all the initiatives to transform?

In light of the challenges faced by business, Hassan has navigated her way through by focussing on a few points. For her, 'Practice the habits that work today and modify ones we ought to. Dialogue is important. A performance management plan must be in place'. She shared that, 'Hurling money is easy.' but asks the question, 'How sustainable it is?' She advised one must be surrounded by people with a moral compass. There is no 'Get Rich Scheme' This is about spirituality, integrity and love for the country, 'we find ourselves in and working through an ethical system.'



Bharat Gaurav



Advocate Shamla Pather

Legal Advisor - Shamla Pather Attorneys Inc
SOUTH AFRICA



Advocate Shamla Pather

Shamla Pather's narrative is a compelling testament to her extraordinary journey from modest beginnings in the City of Kwa-Zulu Natal to her esteemed position as a distinguished legal luminary both nationally and internationally.

Growing up in the close-knit community of Chatsworth, Shamla was nurtured by her parents alongside her three brothers. Their loving guidance instilled in her a profound sense of resilience and ambition. Following her matriculation, she embarked on her academic pursuit at

the University of KwaZulu Natal, Westville campus, where she diligently earned her B.Proc degree. Her education provided her with a solid foundation upon which she would later build her career.

Shamla's dedication to the legal profession bore fruit with her admission as an attorney, a milestone augmented by her remarkable achievement of securing rights of appearance in both the High Court and the Constitutional Court in 2001. However, amidst her professional endeavours, Shamla treasures above all her role as a devoted mother to her daughter, Jayde Govender, considering parenthood her most cherished accomplishment.

Beyond her familial roles, Shamla has distinguished herself within legal circles, domestically and abroad. As an active member of the International Bar Association, she has navigated complex legal terrains, representing clients in intricate cross-border disputes. Noteworthy among her achievements are appearances before esteemed judicial bodies such as the International Paris Commercial Court and the Canadian High Court for the district of Calgary.

Shamla's expertise and contributions have not gone unnoticed, as evidenced by her inclusion among the Top 100 Women in Business in KwaZulu Natal in 2020. Moreover, her professional acumen has led to her assuming the pivotal role of Legal Advisor to a corporate entity spanning operations in South Africa and England, where she provides invaluable strategic counsel and legal insights.

Meanwhile, her legal firm, Shamla Pather Attorneys Inc, has earned accolades, recognized as one of the top law firms in KwaZulu Natal in 2023. Despite the milestones and recognition, Shamla remains grounded in her commitment to leveraging the law as a force for positive change, embodying her passion for justice and equity.

Shamla Pather's journey from her formative years in Chatsworth to her current stature as a revered legal professional with a global footprint is a testament to her unwavering determination, resilience, and relentless pursuit of excellence. Her story serves as an inspiring example of how perseverance and dedication can transform aspirations into reality, leaving an indelible mark on the legal landscape and beyond. As she continues to champion justice and equality, her impact will be felt for generations to come.

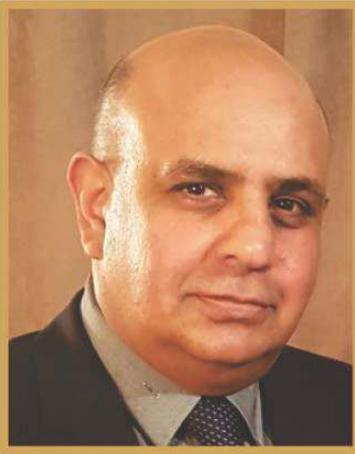


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Bharat Mahtani

CEO & Owner of Language Associates and CEO of Canspeak
FRANCE



Mr. Bharat Mahtani

In the heart of Paris, amidst the bustling streets and elegant architecture, lies a story of cultural fusion and linguistic harmony. Bharat Mahtani, a beacon of cross-cultural understanding, has dedicated his life to bridging the gap between his fellow Indians and the French community. After having spent some time in the Information Technology activities and through his unwavering commitment to facilitating language barriers and fostering cultural integration, Mahtani has become a pillar of support not only for the Indian Diaspora but also for the other communities in France.

Born in a humble family in Mumbai, India Mahtani saw his parents relocate to Pondicherry, a former French territory, when he was only 3 years old. Raised in a multicultural milieu, where children from diverse Indian regions congregated for education, it's noteworthy that French became the lingua franca among them. The educational system also emphasized sports, spirituality, and uplifting values as integral components of learning. Since his very age this passion for languages and profound appreciation for diverse cultures was deep-rooted into him.

Academically gifted, Bharat received the "Best Student's Prize" when he obtained his Bachelor's Degree in Computer Science. He then ventured to Mumbai to explore new horizons and then to Chennai where he was a dedicated professor of Computer Science at Loyola College.

At the age of 22, Bharat embarked on his journey to Paris to pursue advanced studies in Computer Science. Thanks to his excellent command of the French language, he encountered no language barrier. However, the paperwork to settle down in France was tedious and long though not difficult. Consequently, he recognized the challenges faced by many Indians navigating life in a foreign land, particularly the hurdles posed by language barriers and cultural differences. Bharat's upbringing in a diverse and education-focused setting sparked a profound desire to assist others facing similar circumstances.

After his brilliant studies, Bharat started his professional journey as an IT Engineer and ascended to the role of Worldwide Organization Director at the French multinational corporation ACCOR. In this capacity, he extensively traveled to over 36 countries across all continents. Operating in diverse linguistic and cultural settings, his proficiency in multiple languages underscored the significance of linguistic mastery for efficient work.

Bharat driven by his desire to make a difference transitioned into entrepreneurship in 2011. He embarked on his inaugural venture in the Language Services Industry. He founded the "Indo-French Cultural Exchange Initiative", a grassroots organization aimed at fostering mutual understanding and collaboration between the Indian and French communities. At the heart of this initiative lies Mahtani's belief that language is not merely a means of communication but a gateway to understanding and appreciation of one another's cultures. This move aligned seamlessly with his core values, emphasizing education, multilingualism, and multiculturalism. His venture encompassed diverse offerings, including language training in over 25 languages, translation, interpretation, and collaboration with native experts from various backgrounds. Presently, Bharat Mahtani holds the positions of CEO and owner of LANGUAGE ASSOCIATES (www.languageassociates.fr) and CEO of CANSPEAK (www.canspeak.eu), holding a commendable record of leadership and expansion.

One of Mahtani's most impactful endeavors has been the establishment of language exchange programs, where Indian expatriates, students and French locals come together to learn each other's languages in a supportive and inclusive environment. He designed tailor-made French programs to cater to students of all proficiency levels, from beginners to advanced which also helps them in enhancing their ability to integrate into French society. He also created sessions not only break down linguistic barriers but also serve as a platform for cultural exchange, fostering empathy, and building bridges of friendship between communities.

Secondly, his company supports Indian entrepreneurs seeking to conduct business in France by providing specialized intercultural training programs, enabling them to bridge cultural gaps and foster better collaboration in the French environment.

Thirdly, it extends assistance to French entrepreneurs across diverse sectors such as pharmaceuticals, hospitality, consulting, finance, luxury brands, and more, facilitating their business endeavors with India.

Mahtani's efforts have not gone unnoticed, earning him accolades from both the Indian and French governments for his tireless dedication to promoting cultural understanding and integration. In September 2023, Bharat received the prestigious accolade of being named one of the "Top 10 Indian leaders in France" by CEOInsights. This annual recognition celebrates outstanding Indian-origin leaders in France, who play a pivotal role in shaping the country's business landscape and setting benchmarks across various key parameters for the future. For the high values and good education that India gave him, Bharat consistently endeavors to reciprocate and contribute to his homeland whenever the opportunity arises. Illustrating this commitment is a recent incident.

However, for Mahtani, the true measure of success lies not in awards but in the smiles of gratitude on the faces of those whose lives he has touched. In December 2023, Bharat received a call from a friend, the Director of Customs, requesting his urgent intervention and assistance at Vatry Airport in the Marne region of France. Indeed, a situation arose when a chartered plane, carrying 303 passengers, all of Indian origin, was stranded at the French Airport for some obscure reason. Without hesitation or deliberation, he promptly agreed to the call, setting aside his Christmas holiday plans in a display of unwavering commitment.

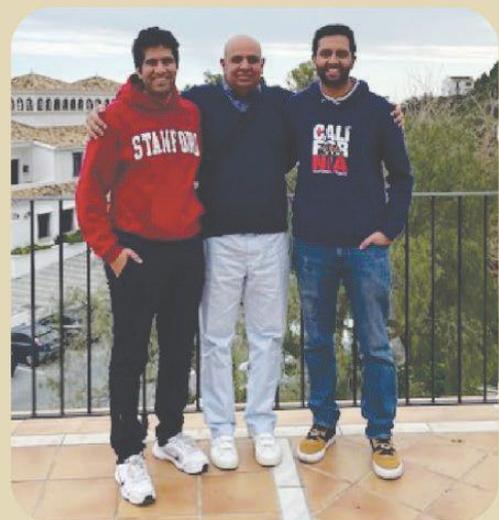
Upon arrival and comprehending the complexity of the situation, his immediate focus was on assisting the vulnerable Indian passengers facing a sensitive predicament. Compounded by the language barrier, as none spoke French, the challenges were substantial. He remained steadfast with them, ensuring their well-being. He diligently monitored their needs, ensuring they received vegetarian meals, medical attention, necessary medications, and detailed guidance on French procedures in their native Indian languages. Each passenger had unique apprehensions about returning to India, necessitating patient persuasion and comprehensive explanations of the advantages of repatriation.

Finally, all the Indian passengers were convinced, except 25 individuals, including 6 minors, opted to return to India, while those remaining sought refugee status in France. The complete voluntary mission was conducted under the supervision of the Indian Embassy in France and the French Home Ministry.

Beyond his entrepreneurial endeavors, Bharat prioritizes his role as a family man. His wife has been a steadfast source of support throughout his journey. Both his sons, Ankur (27 years) and Akash (24 years), they have graduated with honors from premier engineering institutions in Paris. Ankur, specializing in AI and Robotics, has established himself successfully in Paris, while Akash, an expert in Electronics Engineering and IOT, has made his mark in Silicon Valley.

Bharat's upbringing in India has served as a gateway to the world, unlocking numerous opportunities. He acknowledges that each new milestone in his journey is indebted to his Indian heritage. Grateful and proud of the enriching experiences India has provided him, he now feels like "doing good for his homeland" as a gesture of gratitude.

As Bharat Mahtani continues to champion the cause of cultural exchange and integration, his vision of a world united by understanding and empathy serves as an inspiration to all. Through his unwavering commitment and boundless passion, he exemplifies the power of individuals to effect positive change and build a more harmonious and inclusive society. In the vibrant tapestry of Parisian life, Bharat Mahtani stands as a shining example of the transformative power of cross-cultural dialogue and the enduring bonds of humanity that unite us all.

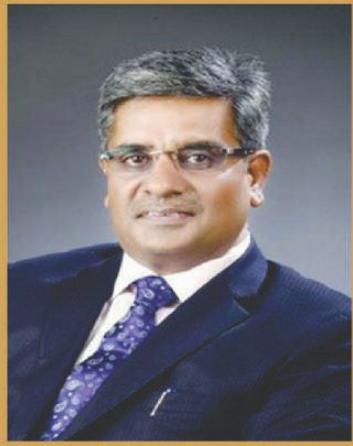


Bharat Gaurav



Mr. Shankar Kularia

Managing Director Padams Group
INDIA



Mr. Shankar Kularia

The seed of a small entrepreneurial operation Was SOWN in a tiny village Of Rajasthan called MulWas SeelWa in 1960. Nurtured with care, resilience and ambition, it has bloomed today into India's premier workplace interiors behemoth. Padam Interiors caters to global Fortune 500 companies, led by its dynamic MD Shankar Kularia. The road from an interior hamlet in Rajasthan to India's commercial capital Mumbai, is not an easy one. Nor is it a short one. Shankar Kularia has walked this road with measured steps, concrete goals and a road map etched with the ink of integrity. He stands today at the helm of the

Padams Group, flanked by his two brothers Kanaram Kularia and Dharam Kularia. Together they steer a global business that prides itself not just for the stellar services provided to bluechip clients across world, but also for the ethical business values and loyal human networks that are built along the way. Mulwas Seelwa in Nokha Rajasthan was where the family patriarch Sant Shree Padamaram jee Kularia Suthar set up a carpentry enterprise. His business acumen was fueled by Shankar and his brothers in 1995, who swiftly transforming their father's vision into a business that has redefined India's workplace interior fit-outs industry, with a presence in all Indian metro and tier 2 cities. The Padams Group of companies, led by Shankar Kularia, undertakes architectural interior works and turnkey projects across market segments from banking, aviation, IT, financial, healthcare and hospitality, retail and residential real estate sectors. It has crossed the 1000- crore turnover mark to become India's front runner in the workplace interiors fit-out business.

We don't just create spaces, We build connections and mould consumer experienceS. At PadamS, technology is used support our human assets, not replace it.

Padam. The Sanskrit word for lotus, symbolizes purity and wisdom. The Padams Group, named after the family head Sant Shree Padamaram jee, has acquired a rock-solid reputation for high-end quality service delivered in an ethical and timely manner, by a team of exceptional professionals. This ethos stems from





the Group's Chairman and Managing Director, Shankar Kularia, the recipient of many awards for his exemplary leadership like the AsiaOne Award in 2022, the Zee Business Award in 2021, for blazing a business trail that has brought success not just to the company but to every stakeholder. While Forbes magazine has called Kularia 'the face behind India's workplace interior industry', his unflinching service to the community has not gone unrecognized by the Government of India. He was given the Bharat Gaurav Award year 2022, followed by the Rajasthan Chief Minister's Award in 2023 where he was felicitated by the Home Minister for his work in the promotion of animal welfare. Perhaps inspired by the human ingenuity that native Rajasthani architecture personifies, Shankar has turned his legacy of organic desert wisdom into integral company policy. Making the most of limited resources, for instance, is inherent to every desert dweller, and has become a non-negotiable at Padam group of companies As is the use of innovation that embraces both nature and tradition. This is the mantra for the sustained growth that the Padam Group has clocked year after year.

Community before Commerce. A community that is content, overcomes adversity to thrive financially, physically and emotionally. It is with the blessings of the community that Shankar believes that he has been able to steer the Padams Group to never-before heights. His commitment to this community remains steadfast. The upward curve on a human face has always been prioritized over the upward curve on the company sales graph. Padams stand by every single individual that makes up the 10,000 strong people network, including suppliers, partners and customers. Rural community development is a key focus area, with active engagements in education, social awareness, health and animal welfare. Distance and heat have been a detriment for the girls in the Nokha area to attend school, which is miles away. A sprawling school for girls, with digital climate control is under construction at Dawa Mulwas, the Padams family base. Not only will this social initiative change the lives of the village girls, its architectural style attempts





to revive traditional craft and harness indigenous labour, while being climatically contextual. The Padam Smarak or the Community Center at Mulwas Seelwa is another example of Shankar's incredible ability to fuse tradition with function and form. Conceived as a hub for learning, bonding and artistic expression, this award-winning architectural marvel made from locally sourced sandstone, houses a courtyard, amphitheater, library and museum. It also incorporates rainwater harvesting and water recycling systems, minimizing its environmental footprint while initiating the locals into modern water conservation techniques. Hospitals across the state of Rajasthan have flourished under the philanthropic care of the Padams Group and its leader, Shankar Kularia. What started as a massive Covid aid rollout has continued over the years and brought both medical technology and talent to the facilities. Animal shelters and tree plantations are two other areas that have been actively supported across the state by the Kularia family, making their community circle a truly holistic and inclusive one.

Moulding a future based on sustainability. Water your roots if you want to grow. Not just a life lesson shared by the inspiration behind the Padams Group, Sant Shree Padamaram jee, it is the philosophy that underlines every aspect of the company. Not forgetting to honour where the journey began, has helped Shankar get laser sharp focus on the future. The future of the Padams Group is built on sustainability, creating not just aesthetic environments but environmentally conscious, green spaces designed to blend nature into human habitats, commercial or residential. Technology is used as an enabler to create not just spaces, but connections and craft human experiences. At Padam, technology supports human assets, it does not replace them. The use of sustainable and recycled materials is prioritized as part of the Group's innovation-that-embraces-nature policy.

Shankar believes the Padams Group's annual Tree Plantation Drive is about planting hope for the coming generation. About giving them the roots that he was given, and a chance to turn these into wings.

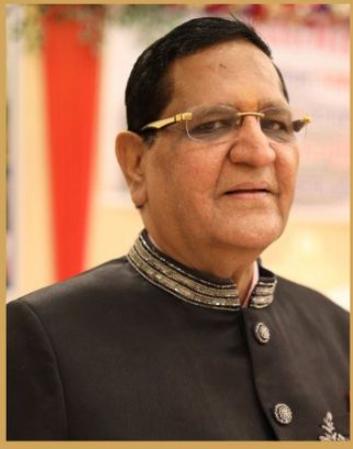


Bharat Gaurav



Dr. Santosh Kumar Jain

Founder Trustee Siddhayatan
INDIA



Dr. Santosh Kumar Jain

Dr. Jain, a multi faceted personality, started his diversified career as CA with a prestigious All India Rank in 1975 after serving as an independent practitioner, he ventured into category I Merchant Banking in 1993. His pioneer project 'Astha Television Channel' launched in 2000 which is covering almost half of the globe is a feather on his cap.

Shree Jain bagged Life Time Achievement Award twice from Lions International Dist 322B2. His social life is as notable as his professional. He was the president of Lions Club Kolkata (Tollygunge) in 1986 and also held the portfolio of a District Cabinet Treasurer, Region Chairman, CSF co-coordinator, Advisor, Chairman – LCIF in last 3 years etc. Shree Santosh Kumar Jain was the former president of the most prestigious club of Kolkata 'The Hindusthan Club' for a period of three consecutive years. He is also the past president of Gunayatan, Sammed Shikharji. He is also the proud recipient of 19th Annual Bharat Nirman Awards in 2012 for his creative persuits.

Dr. Jain was instrumental and founder trustee in setting up Siddhayatan at Sammedsikharji, Parasnath under banner **Lord Prashvanath Foundation over fully furnished constructed area of 1.70 lakhs square ft.** Moreover Computer Division has been newly built in few schools with all infrastructures for computer literacy to students. Further in order to promote computer literacy, 6 nos. Computer fitted buses





are covering deep inside small villages with faculty and syllabus provided by IIT Bombay which also provides Certificates after on-line Exam. This foundation was honored by IIT Bombay in August'2022 for its innovative project. Other Trust Santosh Lalita Jain Foundation runs about 9 vehicles fitted with fully automatic roti making machine and serves more than 5500 persons free hygienic hot food daily being accredited by Lions International as one of the most innovative project in the world.





Dr. Jain is also founder chief patrons of Jain International Trade Organisation (JITO) and is an also trustee of JATF, imparting coaching of UPSE from where more than 500 officers have passed and well positioned in the country. He is Chairman of Tolly Lions Dialysis hospital doing above 100 dialysis daily with 40 machines and also day to-day carrying on activities as founder President of Purvanchal Gau Seva having more than 800 cows.

Dr. Santosh Kumar Jain has completed his **Doctorate from KEISIE International University – KIU, South Korea** in early 2017 in the field of Management.



Bharat Gaurav



Dr. Sandhya Mondal Dhara

Pioneer in Newborn Care, West-Bengal
INDIA



Dr. Sandhya Mondal Dhara

Dr. Sandhya Mondal Dhara is a distinguished Consultant Pediatrician and Neonatologist based in Midnapore, West Bengal, India. Her extensive medical journey began with her MBBS from NRS Medical College, Calcutta, in 1997. Following this, she underwent Diplomate of National Board (DNB) training at Vivekananda Institute of Medical Science, Kolkata from 2000 to 2003 and later achieved her MD from St. Petersburg in 2006.

Upon returning to India in 2007, Dr Sandhya embarked on her mission to improve neonatal care in Midnapore, an area grappling with significant socio-economic challenges, including the Maoist insurgency. Recognizing the dire state of neonatal health in the region, she resolved to create a local solution to reduce the dependency on Kolkata's medical facilities for newborn care.

Dr. Sandhya initiated her practice at Spandan Hospital in Midnapore, where she was provided with space to establish a Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU). This NICU was equipped with essential medical apparatus, such as open care incubators, phototherapy machines, CPAP, pulse oximeters, portable X-ray, ultrasound, and echocardiography machines. Additionally, the hospital offered comprehensive diagnostic services, including blood tests, Ultrasonography, CT scans, and MRI, ensuring that critically ill newborns received tertiary care locally.





Her dedication and efforts have had a profound impact, with 700 to 800 babies, some born as early as 26 weeks of gestation, now surviving and thriving after receiving treatment at her facility. Many of these children have grown up to excel academically as well as in extracurricular activities.

In 2017, Dr. Sandhya expanded her vision by establishing a tertiary-level NICU at her own Nirnoy Multispeciality Hospital, further enhancing the quality of neonatal care available in Midnapore. Dr. Sandhya's commitment to medical education and community service is equally remarkable. She frequently contributes articles on newborn health and care to local newspapers and medical journals. Her leadership was recognized when she became the First Female Secretary of the Indian Medical Association (IMA) Midnapore Branch in 2009. During her tenure, she organized numerous Continuing Medical





Education (CME) programs, ensuring that local doctors stayed abreast of the latest medical advancements. She also delivered lectures on crucial topics such as nutrition, Immunization, lactation and mental health, in National and International Conferences.

Moreover, Dr. Sandhya's dedication to community health extends to conducting free medical camps on the last Sunday of every month, involving specialists across various fields such as medicine, surgery, gynecology, ENT, and dermatology. She also offers free health check-ups to various charitable organizations, further underscoring her commitment to improving healthcare access and outcomes in her community.

Dr. Sandhya has received numerous National and International awards in recognition of her contributions to medicine and community service. Noteworthy among these are Bharat Jyoti Award from the Constitution Club, New Delhi (2010), the Gem of India Gold Medal Award from the House of Lords, British Parliament, London (2012), and the Mahatma Gandhi Samman from the House of Commons, British Parliament, London (2018).

Dr. Sandhya Mondal Dhara's tireless efforts have not only revolutionized neonatal care in Midnapore but have also set a benchmark for compassionate and dedicated medical practice. Her journey continues to inspire and uplift the medical community and the countless newborn lives she touches through her work.



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Sri Sri Ravishankar - Padma Bhushan
Spiritual Leader

"Congratulations to the organizers and awardees of the 10th edition of the Bharat Gaurav Award in the British Parliament, London. Your dedication to recognizing outstanding achievements within the Indian diaspora is truly remarkable. Wishing you continued success in promoting unity and national pride."



Mr. Sanjay Gupta
CEO & Country Head Google India

"I am deeply humbled that Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha has conferred the Bharat Gaurav Award on me. Today India is leading the way with the power of technology I feel fortunate to be at Google & to receive the Bharat Gaurav Award & contribute as well as inspire young people to lead the way of digital India."



H. E. Baroness Sandip Verma
House of Lords, British Parliament, United Kingdom

"It is fantastic & inspirational to be surrounded by people who have achieved so much & continue to achieve. Would be happy to see more women & it is great to bring people together to demonstrate the culture & tradition as it doesn't need to be old fashioned as it unifies people."



Mr. Ashish Chauhan
CEO National Stock Exchange

"It is truly inspiring to witness your dedication to recognizing and honoring the achievements of outstanding individuals in various fields and your unwavering commitment to promoting excellence and leadership in our society. The Bharat Gaurav Awards have become a beacon of hope and a source of inspiration for many people around the world, and for that, we are all immensely grateful."



Mr. Madhur Bhandarkar - Padma Shri
Indian Film Director

"I am writing to express my heartfelt gratitude for the incredible honor Bharat Gaurav Awards have bestowed upon me. Receiving the Bharat Gaurav Award at the United Nations is truly a dream come true and one of the highlights of my career.

I am humbled to receive such a prestigious award, and I would like to dedicate this honor to the brave and selfless armed forces of India. They have always been a source of inspiration to me, and I am deeply grateful for their unwavering service to our nation. I promise to continue making films that celebrate the beauty and greatness of India, and that bring pride to our nation and the world. This award has only strengthened my resolve to keep pushing the boundaries of creativity and storytelling, and I am excited to see what the future holds."

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Mr. Virendra Sharma

Member of Parliament for Ealing, Southall, United Kingdom

"I want to offer my firmest congratulations and good wishes to the 10th Bharat Gaurav Awards 2023. The Bharat Gaurav Awards have contributed a lot and continue to play an incredibly important and valuable role in British and international society. Marking the contribution of so many notable and worthy members of the Indian diaspora is a valuable cause and one I am proud to have supported for many years.

Good luck to everyone nominated, congratulations to everyone participating and the winners, and my thanks to the organizers of the 10th Bharat Gaurav Awards 2023."



Dr. KH Sancheti - Padma Shri, Padma Bhushan & Padma Vibhushan

Orthopedic Physician

"Congratulations to "Team Bharat Gaurav" for having completed 10 glorious years. The dedication of the team towards making the "Bharat Gaurav Award" so prestigious is highly praiseworthy. I am so fortunate to have been associated with this award. I am sure that a galaxy of the most competent & eminent personalities will be nominated for the award making it quite puzzling for the jury to select "THE ONE" out of them to receive the award. There are very few people and institutions who give recognition to such worthy people.

My best wishes to you all for the grand function and to all the nominated dignitaries."



Mr. Shailesh Lodha

Indian Poet, Actor, Comedian & Writer

"21 vi sadi ka bas itna sa prabhav hai, pehle abhaav mein khushiyaan thein, ab khushiyon ka abhaav hai! I would like to congratulate the awardees & moreover the Bharat Gaurav Team who have recognized their talent in the British Parliament and as they have brought this important way of thinking forward that we unite as one country regardless of our location in the world, are commendable and vital. I fully support and highly praise their mission."



Dr. Bindeshwar Pathak - Padma Bhushan

Sulabh International

"Sulabh had its genesis in my resolve to free the country from the dual scourge of untouchability and open defecation. While one scarred the conscience of an otherwise great civilization we are, the other played havoc with the health and hygiene of its citizenry. My invention of a two-pit, ecological, toilet system, a veritable mass technology, knocked the bottom out of the civilizational problems of our times. The pay-toilets infrastructure that I established gave the country, India an order of public hygiene. And the result is that by even a conservative estimate, the technology now touches the lives of 10% of humanity on the planet besides having liberated millions from their caste-imposed, abominable work. I drew my drive and verve to accomplish my lifelong mission from Gandhiji and am carrying forward full-steam the agenda."

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Mr. Manoj Kumar - Padma Shri
Indian Actor & Film Director in Hindi Cinema

"Jab zero diya mere Bharat ne duniya ko tab ginti aayi, hai preet jahan ki reet sada main geet wahan ke gaata hoon Bharat ka rahne waala hoon Bharat ki baat sunaata hoon, Heartiest Congratulations to all Bharat Gaurav Awardees & team for successful 10 years of Bharat Gaurav Award."



Pandit Vishwa Mohan Bhatt - Padma Bhushan, Grammy Award Winner
Hindustani classical music instrumentalist

"I would thank Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha who is organizing the Bharat Gaurav Award Ceremony internationally. I am highly obliged & thank the Bharat Gaurav Award team who are working tremendously to promote the culture & felicitating people like us. May you grow & succeed each day."



Mr. Vijay Bhatkar - Padma Shri, Padma Bhushan
Indian Computer Scientist & Chancellor Nalanda University

"For the past 28 years, the vision of Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha is to promote the culture through a series of innovative programs like the Bharat Gaurav Award. I am very pleased that I have received the 9th Edition of the Bharat Gaurav Award & I believe that Indian Culture is endured in a proper manner since its beginning & I thank Mishra ji to take this civilization & Indian culture forward."



BK Jayanti
Additional Chief of BrahmaKumaris, UK

"Congratulations on the 10 years that you have been doing the awards. It's wonderful that you honor people from Bharat, especially many serving abroad, who truly glorify Baba's name with all the service that they do. The enthusiasm and the pure good feelings with which the ceremony is conducted is beautiful to observe.

I personally have been present for a few ceremonies and also I receive news from across the world, wherever you have had programs. Congratulations to each one of you."



Mr. Niza Juma
Chairman at Jubilee Holdings

"I am delighted to offer my warmest congratulations and best wishes on the occasion of the 10th Bharat Gaurav Awards 2023. The Bharat Gaurav Awards have contributed a great deal and continue to contribute to the continued well-being and growth of the important and valuable role in British and international society. This has been done by recognizing the great contribution of so many notable and worthy members of the Indian diaspora. I am proud to have been one of those having been recognized and honored many years ago. My special thanks go to the organizers of the 10th Bharat Gaurav Awards 2023, for all their dedication and hard work this year and each of the past years."

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Dr. HR Nagendra - Padma Shri
S-vyasa University Chancellor

"We bring Greetings from Delhi to you all for energy, growth, and blissful living. It is heartening to note that your team has been doing a great job in selecting and awarding Bharat Gaurav Award every year for people of repute and great contributions. I am pleased further to know that this 10th year is very special to the team. Congrats.

Let's make the world through mutual co-operations and build synergy for bringing peace to earth and contributing to the concept of Vasudev Kutumbakam: One world one family. "



Mr. Manish Tiwari
Founder Here & Now

"Bharat Gaurav Awards' holds a special place in my heart as the Awards were held in the most coveted United Nations building. My mother was so happy to understand the meaning and the significance of what it stood for as the name suggested – Pride of India. Over the years I have seen the Awards being given to people of great prominence and at the same time honouring the new India which has moved away from its imperialist past and stands for its Eternal Sanatan values. These values stand for the identification of a human being, not with his race or religion but with timeless ideals of truth and unity with the manifested world.

The Award citation is in my ancestral home adorning the walls for everyone to see my mother's pride."



Acharya Lokesh Muni
Spiritual Leader

"In 2017, I was awarded the Bharat Gaurav Award & I believe that such an inspirational award function should continue to grow so that people who are excelling in their fields should be well recognized & people globally get inspired."



Mrs. Meera Gandhi
Giving Back Foundation, USA

"Bharat Gaurav is an inspirational movement that is spreading the Sanskriti and culture essential to pass on to future generations all over the world. I salute dear Mishraji."



Mr. Robin Raina
CEO Ebix Group, UK

"On this 10th Edition, I want to express my deep appreciation and gratitude to the entire team for your hard work, passion, and commitment to making this event a grand success. Your tireless efforts and unwavering commitment to excellence have truly made a difference in the lives of so many people."

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Mr. Lakshayaraj Singh Mewar

Prince of Udaipur, Philanthropist, Educationist, Sports Patron, Business Leader

"Anniversaries are always a fine occasion to celebrate! I sincerely hope the gracious founders and members of the Bharat Gaurav Awards will build upon their work of the last 10 years and become bigger, stronger, more positive, and more impactful in the inspiring work they are doing in India and overseas. May Bharat Gaurav Awards continue to spread genuine happiness and inspiration to people everywhere."



Mr. Gaur Gopal Das

Spiritual Leader

"The people who have achieved exceptionally in their field receive the prominent Bharat Gaurav Award & the person who is an inspirational source in organizing the award ceremony is Mr. Suresh Mishra, I would like to congratulate him as well as the awardees & the attendees of Bharat Gaurav Award Ceremony."



Mrs. Sima Taparia

Netflix Fame & Indian Marriage Matchmaker

"This award ceremony is organized in prominent locations of the world which includes the Senate Paris, the British parliament, London & United Nations USA. From Netflix, I promote Indian values & culture which is famous worldwide & I feel privileged to be awarded with such an important award that promotes Indian values worldwide, The Bharat Gaurav Award."



Mr. Samin Sharma

American Philanthropist & Founder EHCC and Mount Sinai Hospital

"I have to congratulate and thanks the Bharat Gaurav India award organizing committee for relentless work they do and really promote the most deserving candidate for the award. It is my privilege and honor to be associated with Bharat Gaurav organization.

I will hem good luck for their future endeavors."



Professor (Dr.) Diwakar Sukul

Founder & Director World Book of Records & Vedic Research Institute

"Having been honored as a Bharat Gaurav Awardee in the past, I am delighted to see that the award ceremony is achieving new heights in its 10th edition. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all the awardees and the organising team for their commendable efforts. Recognizing the contributions of numerous distinguished and deserving members of the Indian diaspora is a noble cause and I take immense pride in having supported it for many years."

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Mr. Madhu Pandit Dasa - Padma Shri

Spiritual Leader & President Isckon

"I am very very happy to receive the Bharat Gaurav Award instituted by Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha. On the behalf of Akshaya Patra, an organization that helps people who are deprived of hunger & Education it is recognized by this award. I am humbled & grateful."



Mr. Subrato Saha

Entrepreneur Aqua chemie, Dubai

"In 2002, I left India to grow the business in Dubai but my heart will never leave India & today I am immensely happy & proud that I have received the Bharat Gaurav Award & thank each & every one involved for bestowing such a prestigious award to me. I wish you all the success for the 10th Edition of the Bharat Gaurav Awards."



Mr. Ankur Rana

CEO Concept Software & Services, USA

"Congratulations on your 10th edition of the Bharat Gaurav Awards. I wish you all the very best in your future endeavors and look forward to seeing more outstanding individuals being recognized for their excellence and contribution to society."



Ms. Loveena Tandon

Journalist, United Kingdom

"It was a surreal realization that destiny might have taken me away from India but the Indian in my life forever. With every passing day, wherever fate has taken me, I am thankful that I was born an Indian. When Bharat Gaurav Samman recognized-acknowledged-awarded this very Indian in me it felt like a warm hug, a reassurance that I am still part of the family-the clan. The Indian within me is still a part of India. Bharat Gaurav Samman with every passing year is extending this global Indian family with grace and dignity.

I thank and congratulate them for their incredible commitment and achievement."



Mr. Vijay Goel

Partner Singhanian & Co, UK

"On this momentous occasion of your 10th edition, I would like to extend my heartfelt congratulations to you. It is a testament to your dedication and commitment to excellence that you have continued to grow and thrive over the years, bringing recognition and appreciation to so many deserving individuals."

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Mr. Kamlesh C. Mehta

Founder The South Asian Times, New York, USA

"Heartiest Congratulations on the glorious 10 years of the Bharat Gaurav Awards.

Through the Award Ceremonies, Sanskriti Yuva Sansthan has not only recognized the known & unsung Heroes of India but has brought them to an amazing-prestigious platform where they all can rejoice in their significant contributions to society & celebrate the accolades in unison. It's indeed a great honor, privilege, and pleasure to be a part of the Bharat Gaurav family since its inception. I wish continued success to the Bharat Gaurav Awards in the noble endeavors of recognizing, honoring, and unifying the great children of mother India, who have made her proud.

Kudos to Pt. Suresh ji Mishra and team at Bharat Gaurav for their relentless pursuit in organizing such meaningful events year after year, for over 10 years."



Mr. Robert G Davies

Social Entrepreneur & Sports person

"I'm honoured to be a member of the organizing team and to help to organise the prestigious Bharat Gaurav Awards. The Awards are a special recognition of the important contribution that Indians make to many aspects of life across our world".



Mr. Rakesh Dave

Umalaxmi Organics

"It was an honor to be recognized by the team behind Bharat Gaurav Awards and to be appreciated by my social and business community. As a result of the Award, I could add more value to my interpersonal environment and I have come in contact with some really fabulous fellow award winners who have now become good friends- we share experiences and good practices.

Bharat Gaurav awards are validating the efforts and passion of hard-working, focused, and visionary professionals and entrepreneurs and are an opportunity to thank all those who enabled me to reach where I am today. Long may the Bharat Gaurav Awards continue."



Mr. Rakesh K. Shukla

Ministry of External Affairs Special Adviser for Kumbh Mela

"Having received the Bharat Gaurav Award in the past, I am delighted to see how the award ceremony has continued to flourish over the years, especially as it celebrates its 10th edition. I extend my warm congratulations to all the deserving awardees and the dedicated organizing team.

Recognizing the achievements and contributions of numerous notable individuals from the Indian diaspora is a noble cause, and I take pride in having supported it for many years."

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Mr. Rami Ranger
Lord British Parliament, United Kingdom

"The Bharat Gaurav Awards have become a symbol of excellence and have established themselves as a prestigious honor in India. Your dedication and commitment to promoting excellence and inspiring future generations are truly admirable."



Mrs. Masoom Minawala
Global Indian Fashion Influencer & Founder Empowher

"It is such an honor to receive the Bharat Gaurav Award, I am deeply humbled & will use this award to further fuel my ambition in taking Indian Fashion to the world."



Mr. Ajit Sarwan Singh
District Court Judge, New Zealand

"Pundit Suresh Mishra Ji, Bharat Gaurav Team & Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha make us very proud. In honouring our Awardees, you inspire our community leaders, especially our youth who are our future. On behalf of the Awardees and the Indian Diaspora, Subhag & I wish to honour Pundit Ji, Bharat Gaurav Team & Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha with this dedication."



Mr. M. N. Quereshi
Chef London

"I truly express my gratitude to you and the entire team of "Sanskriti Yuva Sanstha" for honoring me with the prestigious Bharat Gaurav Award in 2022 at the Senate of France in Paris. I am sincerely pleased to be awarded and will do my best to justify this trust. This honorable title will always encourage me to serve better in my creative field."



Mr. Santrupt Misra
CEO Aditya Birla Group

"I would like to extend my warmest congratulations on the occasion of your 10th edition of the awards ceremony. This is a significant milestone in recognizing and celebrating the outstanding achievements and contributions of individuals across various fields. I am proud to witness the growth and success of the Bharat Gaurav Awards over the years and am confident that you will continue to make a significant impact in recognizing and rewarding exceptional talent."

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Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank received 'Bharat Gaurav Samman' in the British Parliament, these Indians have also received this award

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New Delhi. Former Chief Minister of Uttarakhand and former Education Minister of Government of India, Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank (Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal Nishank) has been awarded 'Bharat Gaurav Samman' for his outstanding contribution in the field of literature. Dr. Nishank has received this award from the British Parliament in London. The organizers were very excited to confer this honor on Dr. Nishank. Distinguished guests from different fields from India and abroad participated in this felicitation ceremony, including Indian film director Madhur Bhandarkar, prominent Gayatri family Chinmay Pandya, CMD of Medanta Group Dr. Naresh Trehan, Jet Airways Ankit Jalan, scientist CERN Geneva, Archana Sharma. Happened

लंदन की ब्रिटिश पार्लियामेंट में आज सम्मानित होंगी देश-विदेश की हस्तियां



कामयाब कलम रिपोर्टर।

जयपुर। संस्कृति युवा संस्था की ओर से लंदन की ब्रिटिश पार्लियामेंट में मंबर डाइनिंग हॉल में देश विदेश की नामी हस्तियों को भारत गौरव के अलंकरण से कल 12 मई को विभूषित किया जायेगा। संस्कृति युवा संस्था के अध्यक्ष पं. सुरेश मिश्रा ने बताया है कि 10वां भारत गौरव सम्मान समारोह का भव्य आयोजन कल

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के काउंसलर, अमेरिका, फ्रांस के सीनेटर पौलेड के मिनिस्टर सहित देश विदेश की नामी हस्तियां इस समारोह में शरीक होंगे। इस समारोह में ब्रिटेन, अमेरिका, ऑस्ट्रेलिया, कनाडा, स्विट्जरलैंड, पोलैंड, न्यूजीलैंड, जापान, उज्बेकिस्तान सहित कई देशों के प्रतिनिधि सम्मिलित होंगे। सम्मान समारोह में प्रशस्ति पत्र स्मृति चिन्ह गोल्ड मेडल व शॉल देकर सम्मानित किया जायेगा।

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Ajai Agarwal to receive Bharat Gaurav award

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Dr. Ajai Agarwal, National President, International Chambers of Public Relations, Vice-Chairman & Admin. Head, World Communicators Council and former head of the Corporate Communications, Central Bank of India, will receive the Bharat Gaurav award in the British Parliament on May 12.

Dr. Agarwal has been associated with several cultural organisations in India and is the author of the book, "PR - A tool for Success".

The 10th edition of the Bharat Gaurav awards will be attended by several dignitaries from 20 countries including Japan, Poland, Uzbekistan, India, USA, UK, Europe, New Zealand and France. The Bharat Gaurav Award, which celebrates excellence in various fields, has previously honoured notable figures such as Art of Living founder Sri Sri Ravi Shankar, film star Manoj Kumar, Nobel laureate Kailash Satyarthi and others.

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Sandeep Marwah honored once again in British Parliament House of Commons

London: Sandeep Marwah, the renowned media personality and founder of Noida Film City, President of Virendra Sharma MP and Pandit Suresh Mishra of Sankriti Yuva Sanshan spoke about Sandeep Marwah's noteworthy contributions to the media and entertainment industry. Sandeep Marwah, in his address, talked about the importance of the media and entertainment industry in shaping a nation and promoting cultural exchange between countries.

Sandeep Marwah's leadership has been instrumental in shaping the media and entertainment industry, creating opportunities for aspiring professionals, and promoting Indian culture globally. His vision has led to the success of Marwah Studios, which has become a hub for media and entertainment-related activities. This honor is not

only a recognition of Sandeep Marwah's achievements but also a proud moment for the entire media and entertainment industry in India. It showcases the vibrancy and diversity of India's entertainment industry, which has contributed significantly to the nation's growth and development.

Sandeep Marwah's contributions to the media and entertainment industry have been recognized internationally, and this award is a testament to his hard work, dedication, and commitment. His exemplary leadership and vision have inspired many young professionals, and his work has left a significant impact on the industry. We congratulate Sandeep Marwah on this well-deserved honor and wish him all the success in his future endeavors.

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हरिद्वार, संवाददाता। विश्व की सबसे पुरानी माने जाने वाली ब्रिटीश पार्लियामेंट में गायत्री परिवार के युवा प्रतिनिधि एवं देव संस्कृति विवि के प्रतिकुलपति डॉ. चिन्मय पण्ड्या का सम्मान समारोह का शुभारंभ गायत्री महामंत्र से हुआ। इस अवसर पर गायत्री परिवार के भारतीय संस्कृति के साथ आध्यात्मिकता के विश्वभर में विस्तार के लिए डॉ. चिन्मय पण्ड्या को भारत गौरव अवार्ड से सम्मानित किया गया।

सात समंदर पार ब्रिटिश संसद में गुंजा बालाजी का तराना, महंत ने हनुमान चालीसा से किया शुभारंभ

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राजस्थान के दोस व कटौली जिले की दो पहाड़ी के संघ गिरन मैट्टीपुर कालगी का नाम आज ब्रिटिश संसद में कई मंत्र चुन । गुंजा का कालगी सिद्धोदर महंत नेगुंजा शरणार का ब्रिटिश संसद में सम्मानित होने के अवसर का। कालगी मैट्टी टुट अण्य महंत रोना पुरी ने ब्रिटिश संसद में सम्मान समारोह का शुभारंभ जब हनुमान ज्ञान का मंत्र हनुमान चालीसा संस्कृति पत्र संस्था के अध्यक्ष डॉ. चिन्मय पण्ड्या को भारत गौरव अवार्ड से सम्मानित किया गया।



राजस्थानी रत्ने में महंत का विभिन्न क्षेत्रों में दिए गए अखिलनीय योगदान के लिए पत्र संस्था के अध्यक्ष मिश्रा ब्रिटिश मंत्री केरुकर सम्मानित किया गया लोकरुका रत्नेकर व दर्शनो

महंत पुरी महाराज को ब्रिटिश संसद में सम्मानित किए जाने को शुभ व मेहेतुपुर कालगी काली के जवन का महारोह है वही महंत शंकर ने पैड काली व अतिरुकाजी कर सम्मानित बुद्धाओं ने पुण्य यार्थ को ब्रह्मण्डल केन्द्र काली की भूमी पर जाने वाले महंत ने सम्मानित होने पर कालगी महंत की ओर से पूरे भारत में प्रसारी बाटोई में टैक्स करलेने स्थान व कालगी स्थित आसुरस के हजारों श्रद्धालु ने महंत के सम्मानित होने पर बर्खाई व शुभकामना दी।

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फ्रांस की सीनेट में 11 देशों में बसी भारत की 31 हस्तियों का सम्मान



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पंजाब केसरी

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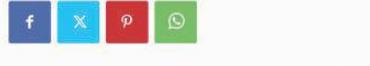


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Miss and Mrs. India Worldwide Founder Dharmatma Saran receives Bharat Gaurav Award

By India New England News - June 21, 2017



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30 Years After Her Sacrifice, Neerja Bhanot Conferred 'Bharat Gaurav Award' In British Parliament

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Braveheart flight pursuer late Neerja Bhanot was posthumously conferred the 'Bharat Gaurav Award' at a function at the House of Commons in London, a spokesman said in Chandigarh on Sunday. The recognition comes 30 years after her sacrifice in September 1986 on a Pan-Am flight in Karachi, Pakistan.

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Glimpses of Bharat Gaurav Award



Bharat Gaurav Awards

"Bharat Gaurav Award" was launched in 2012 to honor the personalities who have brought glory to India all over the world. This award is given to those people of Indian origin who have achieved excellence in their field while living in any corner of the world. To honor such exceptionally talented people, this award ceremony is organized at prestigious places like British Parliament, London and United Nations Assembly, New York, United States of America.

A true moderator is all about glory and one who with his power of vision leads the array at the level

Bharat Gaurav Award conferred on Neerja Bhanot at House of Commons, British Parliament

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NewZNew (London/Chandigarh): The prestigious Bharat Gaurav Award was today conferred on Neerja Bhanot at a solemn function held at the House of Commons, British Parliament, London on July 2 evening. The Award has been instituted by Sankarji Yuva Sanstha, a Jaipur headquartered NGO with an international presence. Akhil and Aneesh Bhanot, brothers of Neerja, attended the ceremony in London and received the Award. The Chief Guest on the occasion was Baroness Sandip Verma, a member of the House of Lords and the Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for International Development in the UK Government.

The Award was conferred on Neerja for 'distinguished services to the nation and outstanding individual achievements. She was one of the iconic personalities of India who always encouraged each and every one to bloom into the next ideal of tomorrow. She is the pride of India as well as the world,' stated the Citation. It may be recalled that Neerja was the Senior Flight Purser on a Pan Am flight which was hijacked at Karachi airport by 4 heavily armed hijackers. Thanks to the quick response and actions of Neerja, the American pilots were able to escape from the aircraft.

Setting aside all concern for her personal safety, Neerja identified herself to the terrorists as the crew member in-charge. In an amazing act of courage and compassion for her fellow human beings, she hid the passports of the American passengers as the hijackers wanted to execute Americans. She gave up her own life while shielding 3 American children from a hail of bullets of the terrorists. Neerja was recognised internationally as "the heroine of the hijack" and is the youngest recipient of the Ashoka Chakra, India's highest civilian award for bravery. She was also conferred various prestigious awards by USA and Pakistan.

According to Aneesh Bhanot, "The Bharat Gaurav Award will inspire other people, especially the younger generation, to follow the principles of Neerja - Do your duty, come what may; Never tolerate any injustice and never compromise on your values and principles."

According to Pt. Suresh Mishra, President, Sankarji Yuva Sanstha, "For over 21 years, our vision and mission has been to promote Indian culture and civilization globally through a series of innovative social programs. We feel that Indians and Indian Diaspora personalities need to be honored and brought together to share and further our vision. Apart from the Bharat Gaurav Awards, Sankarji Yuva Sanstha has been successfully organizing "The Grand Jaipur Marathon" continuously from the last 7 years. The Sports carnival is attended by thousands of participants from all over the world."

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भारतीय संस्कृति और राष्ट्र गान की गूंज फ्रांस की सीनेट में हुई

भारतीयों ने पूरे विश्व में देश का नाम रोशन किया है: पिकासो थियोविनिट

जयपुर, शाबाश इफिया। फ्रांस की सीनेट में 'भारत गौरव अवार्ड' अर्जित हुआ। जिसमें देश-विदेश की नामी हस्तियों को 'भारत गौरव अवार्ड' से सम्मानित किया गया। 'संस्कृति युवा संस्था' की ओर से यह अवार्ड समारोह वर्ष 2012 से अनवरत जारी है। इस अवार्ड समारोह में भारत, ब्रिटेन, अमेरिका, न्यूजीलैंड, कनाडा, साउथ अफ्रीका, मॉरोशिया, दुबई, लंदन, इटली सहित कई देशों के प्रतिनिधि सम्मिलित हुए। समारोह को संबोधित करते हुए भारतीय मूल की पहली सांसद बनी पिकासो थियो विनिट ने कहा कि भारतीयों ने पूरे विश्व में भारत का



नाम रोशन किया है। जब भारत को आज भी मिली थी तो किसी ने सोचा भी नहीं था कि एक दिन विश्व पटल पर भारतीयों का नाम रोशन होगा। आज सभी क्षेत्रों में भारतीय लोग अपनी भूमिका निभा रहे हैं और पूरे विश्व में भारतीयों की ध्वज बहर रही है। यह विचार संस्कृति युवा संस्था की ओर से परिस में भव्य समारोह में कहे। विशिष्ट

अतिथि के रूप में फ्रांस की सीनेट एवं मिनिस्टर विक्टोरिया जैर्मिन, लंदन में 5 बार के सांसद वीरन्द्र शर्मा व फ्रांस में भारत के दूतावास के मंत्री श्रीला दत्ता कुमार ने भी संबोधित किया। अत्यथता करते हुए संस्कृति युवा संस्था के इंटरनेशनल अध्यक्ष पं सुरेश मिश्रा ने कहा कि हमें सच करना है कि हम अपने देश की माटी से इस प्रकार जुड़े रहे कि हमारे अल्पमान और भारतीयता लगातार अगे बड़े। मिश्रा ने कहा है कि संस्कृति का ये 9वां आयोजन है और संस्कृति ने जयपुर मेरठन और सामाजिक जन आंदोलन और सामाजिक संवेतना का जो कार्य हाथ में ले रखा है वो अनवरत इसी प्रकार अगे बढ़ता होगा। मिश्रा ने कहा कि पेरिस में आकर यह सम्मान समारोह आयोजित करना हम सबके लिए गौरव की बात है।

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भारतीय संस्कृति और राष्ट्र गान की गूंज फ्रांस की सीनेट में हुई 11 देशों से आये प्रतिनिधि, देश-विदेश की 31 हस्तियों को मिला भारत गौरव अवार्ड

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ने कहा है कि हमें सच करना है कि हम अपने देश की माटी से इस प्रकार जुड़े रहे की हमारा अल्पमान और भारतीयता लगातार अगे बड़े। मिश्रा ने कहा है कि संस्कृति का ये 9वां आयोजन है और संस्कृति ने जयपुर मेरठन और सामाजिक जन आंदोलन और सामाजिक संवेतना का जो कार्य हाथ में ले रखा है वो अनवरत इसी प्रकार अगे बढ़ता रहेगा। मिश्रा ने कहा कि पेरिस में आकर यह सम्मान समारोह आयोजित करना हम सबके लिए गौरव की बात है। जिन विभूतियों को आज भारत गौरव अवार्ड मिला है वे उनसे यही विनती करता हू कि वह देश के विकास के लिए युवाओं को अगे लायें।

Amrit Lal Bansal honored in France for distinguish services to Nation

SHASHI PAL JAIN KHARAR, JULY 26

Famous builder of Kharar Amrit Lal Bansal has been honored with prestigious Bharat Gaurav Award in Senate (Parliament) of France by Mrs. Victoire Jasmine, Cabinet Minister France. On this occasion Mrs. Shrilla Datta Ambassador of India to France, Madhu Bhandarkar Famous Indian Film Maker, Ms Picasso Member Parliament France & Mr. Suresh Mishra President Yuva Sanskriti, Meira Gandhi, Film Maker, Mr.H.C.Ganeshia General Secretary Yuva Sanskrit (Parliament) of France were present. More than 30 senators of France &



members of Parliament of France and many eminent personalities of the world attended the function. Notably Dr. Amrit Lal Bansal served as Executive Officer in the Municipal Administration of Punjab in 1978 and has served as such from 1978to2008. During this period he was

instrumental in the development of the new towns of SAS Nagar (Mohali), Zirakpur, Kharar and Anandpur Sahib. Being honored by Justice Rakesh Kumar Garg & Justice Amar Nath Jindal, former Judges of Punjab & Haryana High Court at Bathinda, Punjab for his outstanding contribution in the development of the new towns of SAS Nagar (Mohali), Zirakpur, Kharar and Anandpur Sahib. He eradicated total illiteracy from the towns of Morinda, Kurali and Ropar in Punjab while posted there as Executive Officer in the Municipal Councils of these towns from 1994 – 1998. Thereafter he went on a business leave for three years in 2004 and successfully started a real estate

company in the name of Surya Enclave, Kharar which is hardly 10 KM from Chandigarh. He constructed a good number of affordable houses for the common man. He has condensed his vast experience of life and dealing with public in his book From Stagnation to Vibrant Living which is available in 140 countries of the world which has motivated many corporate CEOs, Judges, Administrators and Students. He was appointed Secretary Organization, International Vaish Federation, New Delhi in October 2020. Dr. Amrit Lal Bansal has distributed more than 50,000 food packets during covid wave 1, 2 and 3 in Punjab, J&K and other states.

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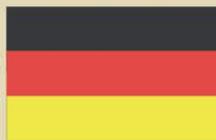
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